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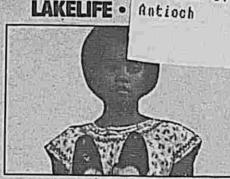
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Antioch residents Angelina Fernandez, Trish Jansta and Lisa Haley portray the witches during a rehearsal of Macbeth at the PM&L Theater in Antioch.

PM&L features Macbeth

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

For the next three weekends, Palette, Masque & Lyre, Inc., will present Shakespeare's Macbeth at the PM&L Theatre, 877 Main Street, Antioch.

How can a 400-year-old play be relevant in today's world? One might be surprised. Apparently human



Photo by Ronilyn Mussared

Donna Abear of Antioch plays the role of Lady Macbeth.

nature has not changed in the last 400 years.

For those who need to refresh their high school literature studies, the theme of Macbeth is loosely based on Guy Fawkes and the 'Gunpowder Plot.'

At the time, Catholics had been persecuted under the rule of Queen Elizabeth and her successor, James I, and a small group decided to take extreme action. They stored 36 barrels of gunpowder in the basement below the House of Lords. Their plan was to detonate the gunpowder with hopes of killing the king, perhaps the prince members Parliament.

Unlike more recent religious terrorists, some of the plotters became concerned about the innocents who would die and sent a warning. However, murder and power-grabbing remain popular activities with some sub-groups.

Most of the action of the play takes places in Macbeth's castle Scotland, according director Fran Jansta, of

Antioch, who researched the play, including a trip to Scotland. While there, he visited Castle Glamis which many feel was the inspira-tion of Macbeth's castle. Due to the age of the castle, local residents told Jansta, 'Macbeth wasn't here, but Shakespeare probably was.'

"It's where Shakespeare envisioned where the king was murdered," Jansta said. "That's the legend.

"I'm really excited about what this cast is doing, and now they've embraced my adaptation," he said. "The king and queen are more of a loving couple, and Lady Macbeth is still strong but has a softer side. She pushes the king, but not against his will," Jansta said.

"My witches aren't hags, either. They're more attractive and sensuous than offputting. Temptresses, if you will."

"The cast is doing just wonderfully, and I'm excit-

ed to open," Janstra said. Janstra doesn't have

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Hillcrest an example to state Educators

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

Teachers at Hillcrest School, which houses prekindergarten through first grade classes, have used the same resources to create a better program for young learners.

Hillcrest teachers Jori Reuter and Kelly Pascente and speech pathologist Amy Karolewicz are scheduled to speak before the 'No Child Left Behind Conference,' in Chicago on Feb. 16 about their Daring to Dream pro-gram. They will describe how they moved from the traditional program of teaching special education students and at-risk students sepa-

They have slowly recreated the environment by blending the students from both groups into combined classes. This means that 3-year-old at-risk children and 5-yearold special education pupils are in the same class with one another. The teachers continue to meet the Illinois State **Board of Education Standards** and Work Sampling prescribed by the state for prekindergarten.

"The goal is to promote the least restrictive environment for the children," said Principal David Karolewicz. "We try to give children experience that will empower them before they need to meet the standards of kindergarten."

Reuter previously had taught at-risk children, but can see benefits in the blended classes.

"They are learning from each other. The 5-year-olds sometimes help the 3-yearolds with zipping up their coats or back-packs, or hanging up their coats," Reuter said. "This gives the older children leadership opportunities that improve their selfesteem, and the younger children have role models, including speech modeling."

The blended classes have 13 to 14 children, which allows the teachers to have more one-on-one contact with each child and appreci-

'By the time the children are ready for the grades 2 to 5 building, many don't qualify for service because the needs have already been met'

> David Karolewicz Principal

ate the uniqueness of each individual, Reuter said.

"It can be a lot of work, but I find I'm not teaching to the middle (ability level) of the class," she said.

The program creates many possibilities for parents in the education of their child by including them in special 'Family Fun Nights,' a weekly newsletter and by sending books or other items home

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Committee reviews Menards plans and potential impact

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

Members of the Planning, Zoning and Building Committee reviewed the revised ordinance regarding the Menards project last week.

Residents near the proposed site are concerned about runoff from the property that could negatively impact Little Silver Lake. In addition to excess water, residents are concerned about the total suspended solids (TSS) in that water that could empty into the take, eventually accumulating as sediment that would make it necessary to dredge the lake. There is also concern about salted runoff polluting the lake.

"This is going to affect where I live," concerned resident Eric Rowe said.

Trustee Mary Turner, chairperson of the committee, said some of the problems that occurred at Wal-Mart will not be repeated at the Menards site because the first thing to be done will be to create a retention pond on the proper-

"We're doing everything we can to make sure any TSS coming off the land will happen only by following best practices. I feel passionate about this," Turner said.

Rowe was concerned about changing the existing ordinance, but Turner tried to

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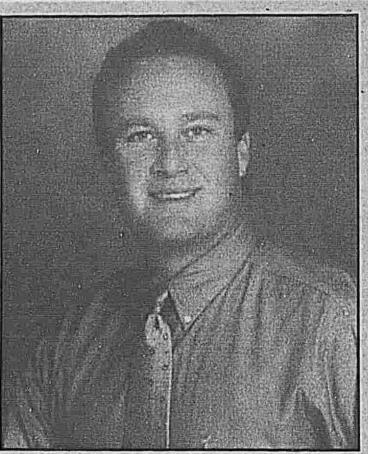
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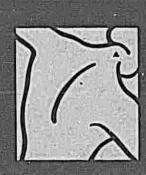
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Police seize nearly \$4K worth of cannabis

By Matt Pera

Staff Reporter

The Round Lake Beach Special Operations Unit (SOU), in cooperation with the Antioch Police Department, executed a courtordered search warrant in the Village of Antioch on Jan. 19. It was the culmination of a month-long operation targeting drug sales.

Brandon Alberts, 23, of 1406 Brentwood in Round Lake Beach, was arrested and charged with unlawful possession of cannabis, a Class 3 felony, and unlawful possession of cannabis with intent to deliver, a Class 4 felony, and was transported to bond court.

Catrina Wickman, 19, of 103 Model Court in Round Lake Park, was also arrested and charged with unlawful possession of cannabis and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor, and was released.

During the search, police confiscated 395 grams of cannabis with an estimated street value of \$3,950. Police also seized \$713 in cash and a 1997 Pontiac Grand Am.

The Round Lake Beach SOU had been working with the APD for over a month on the operation.

Lt. Rich Chiarello, spokesman for

the Round Lake Beach Police Department, said the SOU used leads provided by confidential informants in building their case against Alberts and Wickman. He added that the SOU was very thorough in its investi-

"In a drug investigation, there are multiple things that you could do, a lot of which our drug investigators charge of the APD's involvement.



The Round Lake Beach police Special Operations Unit, in cooperation with Antioch police, selzed a total of 395 grams of cannabis, \$713 in U.S. currency and various paraphernalia Jan. 19.

worked towards to develop their case," he said. "It could be anything from controlled buys, to observations in traffic, to just talking to different people to see who is selling or dealing."

Sgt. Keith George headed the operation for Round Lake Beach police, while Cmdr. Craig Somerville was in

Somerville said the APD offered security in the area of the arrest and provided their facilities for booking Alberts and Wickman.

"We were just there to assist," he said. "It was great to have the multiple jurisdictions going on and it worked out really well. It was a cooperative effort."

Chiarello added that Round Lake police were happy with the results of the extensive investigation.

'I would say it was successful," he said. "Sometimes you end up with a small amount (of drugs) but I would say this is significant amount."

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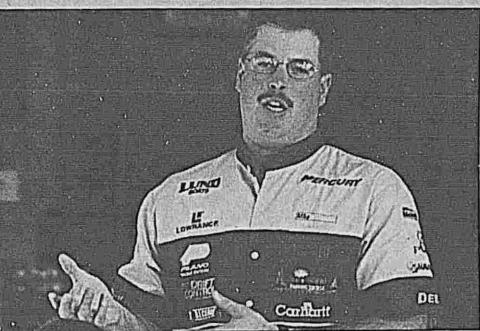


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Professional fisherman Mike Gofron of Antioch Township speaks to members of the Fox Lake Chamber of Commerce and Industry during their monthly meeting at Camp Duncan YMCA about the Professional Walleye Trail tournament the Chain O' Lakes will host in April.

XDistrict 34 can claim two honored principals

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

The Illinois Association of Principals has chosen to honor two District 34 principals for the 2003-2004 school year. Only five throughout Lake County were so honored.

Principal Eric Skoog of Antioch Upper Grade School and former Oakland Elementary Principal Stephanie Stoneberg-Ellis were selected by their peers for their dedication to their schools

"We're very proud of them," said Superintendent John Hunt. "Being a principal today is not easy and both

of these people have just done a really good job running their buildings and helping students perform well." Stoneberg-Ellis has "retired" with a newborn this year, Hunt said.

Hunt gives some of the credit to the good relationship the board has with the administrators.

"I think we have a really good team approach. The board knows our principals and there's a positive relationship. The principals feel supported by the school board and when you feel wanted you tend to work harder," Hunt said.

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TOWN

Ginny Skweres

News from the front

avy Petty Officer 2nd Class Perry S. Wigginton, son of Jane and John Qualmann of Antioch, and the reserve Sailors of Naval **Expeditionary Logistics Support** Force (NAVELSF), based out of Williamsburg, Va., are currently in the middle of a routine scheduled deployment to Camp Patriot, Kuwait.

Wigginton's unit is currently working with the Army to provide critical combat logistics support to soldiers and Marines in Iraq and Kuwait in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Wigginton is a 1988 graduate of Antioch Community High School of Antioch.

Belated birthday wishes go out to Edith Gibbs, a resident of Antioch since 1985. She celebrated her 90th birthday last month at the Life Fellowship Church. Her six children, James, David, Carl and William Gibbs, Marylee Jennings and Gwen Brussaly were among the family members who attended the party.

Mrs. Gibbs graduated from Rocky Mountain College, Millings, Mont., in 1936. She and her late husband Clyde L. Gibbs married in 1938. In 1940 the couple moved to Springfield, Mo., to study for the ministry in the Assemblies of God Church. Both were ordained in Great Falls, Mont., in 1954. Over the years, she served as a pastor or taught school.

Her children surprised her by publishing her life story that she had written titled, "My Journey."

Congratulations to Dr. Debra Rentner, an Antioch chiropractor, who was presented with the "Seven Seals" award from the partment of Defense

Rentrier had worked with the Illinois Committee for the Support of the Guard and Reserve. The committee is responsible for helping drill and mobilize reservists from all seven uniformed services with civilian job-related issues that might arise under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

Like many women, the Antioch Junior Woman's Club is looking for a few good men with a heart of gold. However, the AJWC is seeking willing participants in a contest to hold the title of Mr. AJWC on March 5 at St. Peter's School in Antioch.

The contest will be part of the traditional Comedy Club Night that the club sponsors each year as a fundraiser. The money is used for philanthropic causes in the area.

In addition to being a good sport, participants must belong to the Lion's Club, the Rotary Club, the Antioch Police or Fire Departments, the Jaycees, the Rescue Squad or a member of either School District 34 or 117.

These fearless men are asked to call Sandy Jacobs at 847-395-6037, Peg Kudingo at 847-395-7276 or Laurie Stahl at 847-395-2958. The ladies of the community are looking forward to your participation!

If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town" call staff reporter Ginny Skweres at 847-223-8161, ext. 131 or e-mail, ginnys@lakelandmedia.com

Bait your hook tor ice tishing

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

For 45 years, members of the Northern Illinois Conservation Club have been offering an ice-fishing derby and winter festival to area residents. If you don't want to dig in the frozen ground for night crawlers, make plans for some alternative bait.

The club is very proud that they are the longest, continually run winter event in the state. This derby

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and winter festival will be held on February 12-13, and plan to go allout to make it better than ever.

There will be kids' games, carnival games and daily raffles, as well as hourly and overall fishing prizes, food, refreshments and

Headquarters will be at the Thirsty Turtle on Channel Lake in Antioch, with satellites at Sandbar on Lake Marie and Oak Park Lounge on Pistakee Lake in Hourly McHenry. fishing prizes will be awarded in all 10 categories at each claiming station. The largest fish caught overall in each category during the derby will receive a \$100 cash prize. In addition, the largest fish caught at each station (regardless of species) overall will receive a \$100 cash

The hourly and overall \$25 cash prize for smallest fish caught will be handled the same as largest.

A bonus prize will be given for releasing the game fish. One entry will be allowed per ticket per ticket. The will be no ties and the first fish registered wins.

Adult and kid's auctions (only children younger than 12 can bid) will be held at 3 p.m. Feb. 13. Fishing hours are from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

A \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to an Antioch Community High School student with some of the proceeds.

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SCHOOLNEWS

District 36

Grass Lake School District 36 is sending out an informational booklet and opinion poll to all residents of the district, seeking input on future direction for the school. Informational meetings will be at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 26, and at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 13.

Please try to attend one of these meetings. If you are a resident of the district and have not received this mailing please call the school at 847-395-1550 and request a copy or Web our site http://www.grasslake.lake.k12.il.us/opinion_poll.htm

The poll may be dropped off at the school office, or sent to: Grass Lake School, Opinion Poll, 26177 W. Grass Lake Rd., Antioch, IL 60002, or answered online at the Web site. Your answers to these questions and any additional comments are very important to the district.

Phones starting at just

Tsunami relief collections

Students from local school districts and the Antioch Rotary Club has formed a partnership to benefit the school children who are victims of the Southeast Asia tsunami.

Students from Community High School District 117, Lake Villa C.C. School District 41, Antioch Elementary School District 34, Emmons School District 33, Millburn C.C. School District 24 and Grass Lake School District 36 are participating in the program.

Thompson School students have collected

Palombi students raised \$1,007 at their dance. Their goal is \$2,000. Contributions are still being taken.

The Rotary Club planned to match funds, but their capability to match is being surpassed.

Those wishing to make donations may send checks payable to "Tsunami Relief Fund," Antioch Rotary Club, P.O. Box 35, Antioch, IL 60002. Fund-raising ended Jan. 28.

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Pleviak School announces honor students

The following students at Pleviak School Grade 6 have been named to the honor roll for the first Honor R trimester.

Grade 4 Honor Roll

Patrick Anderson, Ashley Astabraghpour, Natalia Bazan, Pamela Bazan, Justin Bergeron, Kristie Bieszczat, Maron Brown, Matthew Brown, Jessica Bruggen, Neil Chakravartly, Matt Eney, Katie Fletche,r Adam Gomski, David Gregory, Matt Gustafson, Nick Heaton, Klarika Irons, Zach Kaplan, Sarah Khalimendik, Timothy Knieling, Courtney Lange, Ginnna Lattore, Michael Montalbano, Alan Muelleager, Cody O'Neil, Ryan Ong, Mark Orduno, Kaitlyn Rosploch, Alex Rotter, Ryan Rowe, Zach Scaggs, Keegan Schaar, Ben Smith, Jake Smith, Felicia Stancil, Trizia Tanael, Max Tourt, Abigail Tracy, Lynn Twarowski, Taylor Vacyal, Nicole Valencia, Sarah Veinotte, Cody Williamson, Taylor Wright

Grade 5 **Honor Roll**

Diana Aldana, Ammar Anis, C.J. Bailey, Daniel Bazan, Amanda Bledsoe, Joanna Bonds, Jacob Burr, Cameron Caplinger, Nicole Carrao, Alison Cassity, Marisol Castillo, Alec Cretan, Donald Dahlke, Drake Davis, Alec Drichas, Corina Freeman, Morgan Gamble, Simon Gleizes, Kelsey Gonsowski, Amy Gross, Ryan Habura, Alex Hackwell, Roxanne Hall, Clare Hanks, Morgan Hannum, Tylar Hardy, Tianna Harris, Erica Hernandez, Melissa Hohensee, Jason Kasper, Jack Kegermann, Mitch Kwiatkowski, Samantha King, Ali Kmiec, Nicole Loera, Jacqueline Lopez, Connor Morita, Ben Nelson, Mackenzie O'Neil, Caleb Penton, David Prieto, Matt Prieto, Joey Redlin, Eric Riesner, Johnny Rodriguez, Kyle Rosenberg, Haley Rothenberg, Hayley Sherwood, Alison Soley, Brandon Stout, Nathaniel Stout, Anders Stoy, Mike Tanael, Sacia Terry, Evan Welsh, Jenna Wittke

Honor Roll

Connor Anderson, Ashley Bates, Alyssa Bledsoe, Matthew Cook, Taylor Dare, Patrick DeLaMar, Amy Drangines, Kayla Flemming, Kyle Fosco, Jessica Funari, Jason Gustafson, Cara Hagman, Amanda Holmes, Camille Ivory, Kenny Jones, Kyle Kleinschmidt, Billy Krause, Andrew Kukula, Megan Lange, Kathy Maciocha, Nikki McConnell, Kia McLean, Raquel Ness, Larissa Olson, Cody Plusa, Lisa Seedoff, Aly Specht, Marissa Tuturro, Cheryl Upman, Murad Zalov

PAJAMA PICTURES



Photo by John Dickson

Anna Rindahl, 17, a park district employee, helps Bella Hagen, 5, of Lindenhurst paint her pillow case with fabric paints during the Disney Adventurers Pajama Party. The party, held at the Lindenhurst Park District community center, had pajama clad kids playing and making Disney themed crafts.

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newsletter and by sending books or other items home with the child that they can use

"We believe the parent is the first and most important teacher the child has," Reuter

Pascente piloted the program in her classroom last year and the encouraging results spurred the expanded program. She saw progress in the children and the parents conyeyed a high level of satisfaction.

"By the time the children are ready for the grades 2 to 5 building, many don't qualify for service because the needs have already been met," the principal said.

The faculty involved with the program gives the credit to school board members for the success of the program.

"We have a supportive board dedicated to each learner," Karolewicz said.

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MENARDS

explain the new ordinance would be even more stringent.

"Nothing is going to leave the site from a ten-year storm or less," Keith Fujihara, village

"If we go to court the judge is going to look at the ordinance in place at the time of the permit," Rowe said.

Turner asked if he was making a threat, but Rowe said that was not the case.

"It (the runoff) will be less than when it was farmland. We're just making sure the TSS leaving the site is safe," Turner said. The 20 TSS is the proposed limit, with an average of 10 TSS actually anticipated. During construction only, 70 TSS will be permitted.

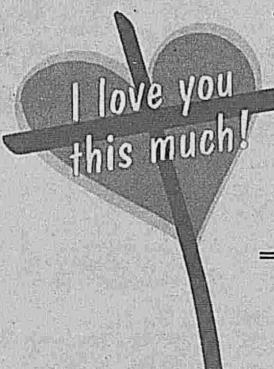
The committee is also putting plans into

place to prevent salt used as a de-icer from making its way into the water. At Menards, salt will be allowed only on the sidewalk in front of the store, for safety reasons. All other areas, including the parking lot, must use sand or another non-chemical means of dealing with snow and ice. The village will limit the total amount of salt that can be used during a winter season.

If the limits are exceeded, the daily penalty for each offense could cost as much as \$750. Any fines collected would be set aside to correct possible problems in the future.

Turner said the committee was not prepared to announce any decisions until the final draft was presented to the board.

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Suspended driver's license

Reyes Atilano, 305 Turtle Creek, Apt. C, Palatine was stopped at 1:50 a.m., Jan. 31, as he drove southbound on Route 59 at Bowless and police saw him cross the double yellow lines. A K9 officer arrived for back-up and "Coal" detected burnt cannabis. Atilano was charged with improper lane usage, driving on a suspended driver's license and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was released on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Feb. 23.

Steven J. Walley, 28, of 18329 120th St., Bristol, Wis. was stopped at 7:44 p.m. Jan. 29, after he made two sudden turns from North Avenue onto southbound Tiffany

Road and from Tiffany to Tiffany Farms Road. He was driving 50 mph in a 35 mph zone. He was charged with no valid driver's license, expired vehicle registration and speeding. He was released on personal recognizance and is scheduled to appear in court on Feb. 23.

Cesar Martinez, 27, of 2170 Hebron, Zion was questioned by police in regard to a traffic accident they were investigating at 3:53 p.m. on Route 175 east of Route 45. Police questioned Martinez who said he had no valid driver's license and had not witnessed the accident. He was released on a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on March 9.

Thad Beversdore, 30, of 10412 Sequoia Court, Spring Grove, was stopped by police who observed his green Jeep travel at a high rate of speed as drove eastbound from Spafford. He was charged with speeding 36 mph in a 20-mph zone on a s revoked

Wisconsin driver's license. He was released on personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Feb. 23.

Obstructing justice

Orlando Marquez, 17, of 1304 20th Street, Zion, was stopped at 11:41 p.m. at the intersection of Parkway and North Avenue because his vehicle did not have a muffler and sparks were flying beneath his car. He obstructed a peace officer by giving a false name. He was taken to the Antioch Police Department to be fingerprinted to confirm his identity. He gave police his correct name that indicated he was wanted by the Lake County Sheriffs Office for failure to appear on a charge of consumption of alcohol by a minor, Antioch Police charged him with not having a muffler on a vehicle, no valid driver's license and obstructing justice. He was given a personal recognizance bond and is scheduled to appear in court on Feb. 15. Antioch Police took him to the Lake County jail at 3:40 a.m.

Kerosene heater responsible for fire at storage unit

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

A number of 12' x 12' storage units at Antioch Self-Storage, 284 Main St., were damaged when fire broke out at 2:44 p.m. Jan. 25. Firefighters brought the fire under control quickly and crews remained on the scene for about 90 minutes while they conducted salvage and overhaul operations.

A person working in one of the storage units had been using a kerosene heater when the fire broke out and spread quickly. The occupant called 911 to report the fire.

Units from all three Antioch Fire Stations responded to the scene and received mutual aid from Fox Lake and Lake Villa.

Lt. Chris Lienhardt reminded the public to take precautions when using an alternative heat source. Some of the precautions include: Use a heater tested and approved by a national laboratory, use only heaters that have tip switches that will turn it off in case it tips over; never use a space heater overnight in a room where people are sleeping; and keep the area around the heater clear of flammable objects or store gasoline near the heat source.

The investigators are still trying to reach all of the owners of surrounding storage units to determine total damages.

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> Firefighters battle house fire

By Ginny Skweres

Staff Reporter

Firefighters were called to a house fire at 26551 Catalpa Road on the far western edge of the district Tuesday afternoon by a neighbor who reported flames. There were no injuries because the resident and his dog had left the home about 45 minutes before the call came in, Lt. Chris Lienhardt said.

The house is probably close to a total loss," he said. The fire was fully engaged when firefighters arrived and they had to enter the burning structure. The first crew to arrive "took a beating" since the fire had about 30 minutes of a head start and fire doubles in size every minute, Lienhardt said.

Fortunately the firefighters once again had the advantage of computer-aided dispatch which called in other departments and pumper trucks since there are no hydrants n the area.

"The whole point of the response system is based on the fact that we want to have the resources we need on hand rather than wait

for them to arrive," Lienhardt said. The predetermined response system was created through a risk-assessment study last year.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation, Lienhardt said.

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Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church. Missouri Synod, worshiping at Antioch/Lake Villa Township Center, 1625 Deep Lake Rd. Pastor Darald Gruen, Phone (847) 265-2450. Sunday Worship at 9am, Sunday School, High School & Adult Bible Classes 10:45am.

Heritage Lutheran Church. Lindenhurst Civic Center, 1949 Old Elm Rd., Lindenhurst. (847) 356-1766. Sunday service 10:00 am, Sunday School & Bible Class 9:00 am. (summer schedule -9:00 am Sunday) Rev. Mark W. Anderson, Pastor.

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Christian Life Fellowship Assemblies of God Church. 41625 Deep Lake Rd., Antioch. Phone (847) 395-8572. Sunday School (all ages) 9am., Sunday Morning Worship 10am., Children's Church 10am., Sunday Evening Worship 6:30pm., Wednesday Worship & Children's Program 7am., Tues. Women's Fellowship & Bible Study 9-11:30am. Jeff Brussaly, Pastor.

Antioch Baptist Church. 817 Holbeck Dr., Antioch. Phone (847) 769-5332. Sunday Morning Worship 10:15am., Sunday evening Service 6:00pm., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00pm. Pastor Ken Foster.

Faith Evangelical Lutheran, 1275 Main St., Phone (847) 395-1660. Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30am., Sunday School 9:25am., Mon. Worship 7:00pm Pastors Gregory Hermanson & Aaron Christie. Christian Day School (847) 395-1664. Millburn Congregational United Church of Christ. Grass Lake Rd. at Rte. 45. Phone (847) 356-5237. Sunday Service 10am. Children's Program 10am. Rev. Paul R. Meltzer, Pastor.

Antioch United Methodist Church, 848 Main St., Antioch, Phone (847) 395-1259. Rev. Gary Curl, Pastor. Sunday Worship 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Children's church and Sunday School. Adult Groups at 9:15 a.m. Nursery care for children through 3 years of age from 8 to 11:30 a.m.

St. Peter's Church. 557 W. Lake St., Antioch. Phone (847) 395-0274. Masses weekdays, 7:30am; Sunday 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11:30am & Saturday 5:30pm. Rev. Father Ronald H. Anglim, Pastor

Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church. 43 W. Grass Lake Rd., Phone (847) 838-0103. Sunday Worship 9:30 and 11:00. Sunday School. Rev. Kerry Bauman, Senior Pastor

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod). 25100 W. Grand Ave. (Rte. 59 & 132), Lake Villa. (847) 356-5158. Sunday Worship 8:15 & 10:45am; Sunday School (3 and up) and Bible Study 9:30am. Christian Preschool. Rev. John Zellmer, Pastor.

Lighthouse Church of Antioch. 554 Parkway Ave., Antioch, IL (847) 838-0616. Saturday Evening Service 7:00 p.m. Adventure Club for Kids, Adult Bible Study Saturday Evening 6:00 p.m. Monday Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Thursday Evening PTSD Support Group 7:00 p.m. Senior Pastor Tom Bartmer.

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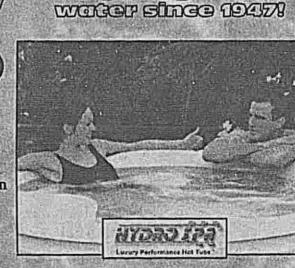
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Antioch Woman's Club

The next club meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m., Feb. 9, at the United Methodist Church, 848 Main St., Antioch. Parking is available behind the church.

One-man-band Edizon Dayao of Vernon Hills will perform. The 38-year-old musician and singer makes his keyboard sound like a full orchestra.

Anyone interested in joining the Antioch Woman's Club, which is part of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs, should call the membership chair, Pat Goone, at 847-838-6688 for information.

Macbeth

PM&L's next production is one of Chamber of Commerce offers Paul Yurs

Shakespeare's best-known tragedies: Macbeth, directed by Fran Jansta of Antioch at the PM&L Theatre, 877 Main St., Antioch. Show dates are Feb. 4, 5, 11, 12, 18 and 19 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 6, 13 and 20 at 2:30 p.m. Call 847-395-3055 for reservations.

Chamber offers Yurs Scholarships for 12th year

In memory of Paul Yurs, a former vice president of first American Bank in Lake Villa and one of the founding directors of the Lindenhurst-Lake Villa Chamber of Commerce, the chamber has offered a scholarship in his name for the past 12 years.

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In addition, each year the recipients' names are added to a plaque on display at the Lake Villa District Library.

Qualified candidates are high school seniors graduating in 2005. Students at all high schools are eligible, including those who attend public, private or parochial schools, as long as they reside in Lake Villa Township.

Guidance counselors are notified at Antioch Community High School, Carmel High School, Grant Community High School, Grayslake Community High School, Shoreland Lutheran High School and the Illinois Math and Science Academy.

Applicants must submit a resume, detailing their school performance, including GPAs, as well as work and community experience, extracurricular activities, awards won and the

name of the college they plan to attend.

They are required to write a 500-word essay on their goals and how they plan to achieve them.

This year's deadline for applications is April 6. Forms and information packets can be obtained from school guidance counselors, or by calling the Chamber office at 847-356-8446.

Last year's scholarship recipients were (in alphabetical order) Claire Earll, a Lindenhurst resident, graduating from Carmel High School; Jason Jager, a Lake Villa resident, graduating from Grant Community High School and Christine Kenner, a Lindenhurst resident, graduating from Antioch Community High School.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Voting for Smouse

I would like to take the opportunity to take issue with Mr. Sheehan's comments in the paper. Mr. Sheehan would like you, the voter, not to consider the fact that if Judy Martini were to be elected township supervisor, she would be collecting not one, but two governmental salaries. Who pays for these salaries? The residents and taxpayers of Antioch Township. Now, are there other issues in the race? You bet, but for the supporters of Ms. Martini's to believe that this is not one of them is just plain nonsense.

There are plenty of township residents that remember back when Ms. Martini ran for township supervisor back in the early 90s; she ran on agenda of getting rid of double-dippers and this was her primary campaign issue in that election. Ms. Martini was against this practice then and should be now.

We have a choice. We can choose between a double-talker, who wants to be a double-dipper, or we can re-elect a township supervisor who cares about the taxpayers of Antioch Township, I will vote for the one that will protect and defend us from runaway spending and taxes. I will vote for the one that will provide quality services. I will vote for the one that will work with all residents of Antioch Township to make this a better place to live. I will vote to re-elect Steve Smouse as our township supervisor.

> Brent C. Bluthardt Antioch

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> My occupation: Pharmaceutical sales

I graduated from: St. Ambrose College, in Davenport, Iowa

My community involvement: Knights of Columbus, semi-annual community blood drive

What I like most about my town: Small town charm

> My hobbies: Scuba diving, hunting, fishing, camping

My favorite movie: "The Wild Bunch"

My favorite musicians: Anne Murray and Kenny G.

My favorite sports teams: The Bears, and Ohio State's football team, where my nephew plays center

> My favorite restaurant: Twin Oaks, in Wilmot

My favorite home-cooked meal: Pot roast and red potatoes

The person I admire the most: My wife

If I had a million dollars, I would: buy the company I work for

If I had a plane ticket anywhere, I'd go to: Australia's Great Barrier Reef

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Kayla Grace Korpak, a daughter, was born Dec. 31 at Condell Medical Center of Libertyville to Renee Wright and Kraig Korpak of Round Lake Park. Her sister is Samantha Monk, age 14. Grandparents are Judy and Phil DeMolli of Rockford; Ray and Nicolle Wright of Round Lake Park and Barb and Len Huhn.

Sophia Elia Banjakul, a daughter, was born Jan. 11 at Lake Forest Hospital to Aileen and Philip Banjakal of Lake Forest. Her sister is Lena, age 6.

Callie Jan Bemis, a daughter, was born Dec. 31 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Aimee and Robert A. Bemis of Antioch. Her brother is Daniel, age 2. Grandparents are Linda and Richard Noll of Waterford, Wis.; Ruth Bemis of Antioch and Wilma Noll of Alma, Wis.

Kyla Katrina Johnson, a daughter. was born Dec. 31 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Melissa Pfannenstill and Michael Johnson of Mundelein. Her sister is Alyssa Johnson, age 16 months, Grandparents are Dawn Muscarello of Mundelein and Rich Muscarello of Mundelein. Great grandparents are 'Timothy Johnson of Antioch and Karen Johnson of Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Alexis Yamilet Arana Vara, a daughter, was born Jan. 1 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Marina Vara and J. Rolando Arana of Waukegan. Her siblings are Jose Arana 8, and Alma Arana 4. Grandparents are Maria Natividad and Santiago Vara of Waukegan and Maria Eufrosina and Hernandez Lopez of Waukegan.

Michael Anthony Niemczyk, a son, was born Jan. 1 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville to Michael and Rebecca Niemczyk of Lindenhurst. Grandparents are Brian and Mary Edinger of New Auburn, Wis.; Fred and Theresa Niemczyk of Wisconsin Dells, Wis. Great grandparents are David and Sarah Edinger of New Auburn, Wis. and Paul and Mary Carter of Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

Lisa Gabriela DiCario, a daughter, was born Jan. 11 at Victory Memorial Hospital in Waukegan to Daniel and Alma DiCarlo. Grandparents are Margery Ann DiCarlo of Youngstown, Ohio and Teresa and Jose Garcia of Mexico City, Mexico.

Payton James Schlaiss, a son, was born Jan. 4 at Lake Forest Hospital to Jerry Schlaiss and Melanie Winscom. Grandparents are Marty and Renée McDonough of Pell Lake, Wis.; David Winscom and Cheryl Herr of Ingleside; Michael and Janice Vocke of Spring Grove and Jerry Schlaiss of Wheaton.

LIBRARYNEWS

Library hosts board game afternoon

Feb. 13, Sunday, 2 p.m.

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Library offers chess class Feb. 27, Sunday, 2 p.m. Learn to Play Chess

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For more information on these events, you can call at 847-395-0874 Monday 12-9, Tuesday 9-5 and Thursday 5-9.

CALENDARS

Friday, February 4

8 p.m., Feb. 4-20, Fri.-Sun.*, "Macbeth" presented by PM&L Theatre at 877 N. Main St. *Sundays at 2:30 p.m. Call 847-395-3055 for tickets or go to www.pmltheatre.com.

Saturday, February 5

8:30 a.m., Singles (ages 55+) Breakfast Group meets weekly at In-Laws Restaurant, 720 Milwaukee Ave., Gurnee. Call Chuck 847-362-5458.

Sunday, February 6

7-9 p.m., Open gym Sundays at Antioch Community High School, cost \$2, adults only.

Monday, February 7

12:45 p.m., Bingo Mondays at The Antioch Senior Center. Call 847-395-7120 for details.

7 p.m., Sub-committee meetings of the Antioch Village Board held first Mondays. Committee meetings of the whole follow at 8 p.m. in the Board Room, Antioch Village Hall, 874 Main St.

7-9 p.m., Lakes Area Community Band rehearses at ACHS. Call Debbie Davis at 847-395-0272.

1 p.m., Prairie Pioneers #1081, an organization for the study of antiques and the preservation of heritage, meets at a private home. Call 847-223-4001.

7:30 p.m., Lake Co. Camera Club meets at Gurnee Senior Citizen Center, SW corner of Washington St. and Almond Rd., Gurnee. Call 847-856-1583.

Tuesday, February 8

Noon; Kiwanis Club of Antioch meets Tuesdays at the Double Eagle Restaurant. Call Melissa at 847-489-8044 or e-mail her at mjrigoni@hotmail.com.

11:45 a.m., "Protect Your Inheritance: A Will vs. a Living Trust," Lake County Retired Teachers' Association luncheon meeting at Lambs Farm Country Inn, Libertyville. Reservations not required. Call 847-362-5813 for details.

7:30 p.m., Mothers & More meets at the State Bank of the Lakes in Grayslake. Call Kerry at 847-245-3732 or visit www.mothersandmore.org.

6:45 p.m., Bingo at the Antioch VFW. Doors open 4:30 p.m. Call 847-395-5393 for more information.

6:30 p.m. Lake Co. Illinois Genealogical Society meets in Mundelein. Call Mary Jo Zepley at 847-623-6718 or Bobbie Briggs at 847-816-8074. 1 p.m., AARP Chapter 387 (for adults 55+) meets second and fourth Tuesdays at Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck Dr. Please call Sharon Nowak at 847-395-5068 to learn more.

Wednesday, February 9

4-7 p.m., Small Business Opportunity Resource Fair at College of Lake County (C002-C003, lower level) Grayslake. Register at 847-543-2059.

1 p.m., Antioch Woman's Club meets second Wednesdays at United Methodist Church, Antioch. Call 847-395-4210 to learn more.

8 a.m., American Business Women's Association meets second Wednesdays at Keller Williams Realty on Rt. 83 (south of Rt. 173), Antioch. Call Nancy at 847-838-6500 for information.

6 p.m., CPR classes sponsored by Antioch Rescue Squad, held at the Squad Bldg., 835 Holbeck Dr. \$5. Call 847-395-5511 to learn more.

10 a.m., Lake County Women's Club meets at State Bank of the Lakes, 50 Commerce Dr., Grayslake. Call Carol at 847-543-4353 for more information.

9 a.m., Home Office Managers & Entrepreneurs meets second Wednesdays at First Midwest Bank, 300 N. Hunt Club Rd., Gurnee. Idea exchange, guest speakers, referrals, shared business owner experiences. Call 847-367-7118 for details.

1 p.m., Lake Co. Home-Oriented Unique Schooling Experience that offers support, socialization and shared educational opportunities for homeschooling parents in Lake Co. will hold a President's/Valentine's Day Party for students at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, Rt. 45 and Courtland Dr., Mundelein: Please contact April Lee at 847-949-0758 or leeaaadd@yahoo.com.

Thursday, February 10

7:30 p.m., Village of Antioch Planning & Zoning Board meets second Thursdays at the Municipal Bldg., 874 Main St. Call 847-395-1000 to confirm.

6:30 p.m., National Alliance for the Mentally III support group for families and friends meets at Lake County Health Depart., 3012 Grand Ave. Waukegan. Call LCHD at 847-377-8180 for details.

Friday, February 11

8 p.m., Marijuana Anonymous. Joe —262-862-6244.

Saturday, February 12

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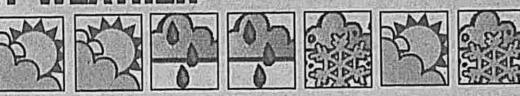
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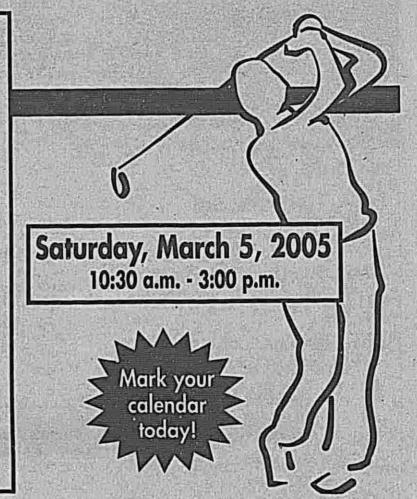
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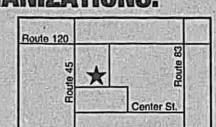
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Judy Ledvora of Round Lake and Jean Mueller of Lake Villa cut a rug during a dance at the Antioch Senior Center. The event was such a hit, coordinators have scheduled another dance at the center for March 4 at 7 p.m.

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MACBETH

long to wait. "Macbeth" will be performed at 8 p.m. Feb. 4,5, 11,12,18,and 19, and at 2:30 p.m. Feb. 6, 13, and 20.

Macbeth is played by Chuck Lindas of Kenosha and Lady Macbeth is played by Donna Abear of Antioch. Duncan is played by Bruce Weise of Woodstock.

Other characters are Malcolm, Justin Bell of Kenosha; Banquo, Charles Ramsey of Vernon Hills; Macduff, Tom Quigley of Lake Villa; Lady Macduff, Laura-Nicole Muslof of Burlington; Lennox; Adam Armstrong of Antioch; Ross, Chris Brouton of Round Lake Beach; Angus, Josh Armstrong of Antioch and Seyton, Phil Bednar of Antioch.

The four witches are Trish Jansta,

Angelina Fernandez and Michele MacLennan of Antioch and Sarisa Hall of Vernon Hills. Other roles are played by Tom Hausman, Zack Simonini, Isaac Armstrong and Sally Roberts of Antioch; Dean Griffiths of Round Lake Beach; Christian Neumeister of Lake Forest and Reggie Mathews of Lindenhurst.

"The cast has been together since early November and there's a tremendous amount of enthusiasm," Jansta said. "We also really like each other."

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors. For reservations, call 847-395-3055.

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COFFEE CHAT



Photos by John Dickson

(above) Robert Schroeder, Executive Vice President of Lakeland Media, chats with Dr. Pamela Norley, a chiropractor in Lake Villa, and June Gross, a financial advisor with North Shore Trust and Savings during the Lake Villa Chamber of Commerce's "Coffee's on Us" mixer. (below) Kelly Kelly (right), manager of Clean Cut Tree Service In Grayslake, makes a connection with Janet Galati (left), owner of Money Maller.



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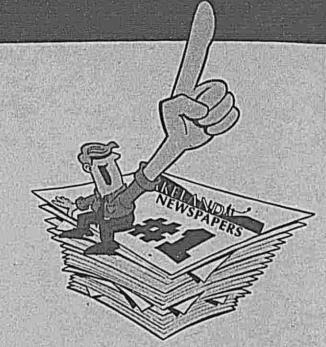
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February 4-10, 2005

MOVIE REVIEW 'Hide and Seek' misses true horror mark

Man's Best Show

Grayslake residents get a taste of the dog show circuit

n total, 1,436 dogs from 138 breeds graced the presence of the Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake last weekend. Or to be a little more specific, that's 5,744 legs, 1,436 wagging tails and an innumerable number of smiles from spectators.

By DAN PATRICK

Photos by SANDY BRESSNER

Pooches ranging from Lassie-like Collies to toy poodles to bulldogs all made their appearances. Show chairman Dave Cook said the source of fun for some spectators comes from both the nostalgia some dogs might inspire and finding new dogs to look at.

"I'd bet the average person would be able to identify about 20 of the breeds you see here," Cook said. "We've got 138 different breeds and if you see new breeds, you might find another one you could fall in love with. Then you can make the educated decision as to which breed you



Diane Bingham grooms her Brittany spaniel, Aemish, before showing him during the All Breeds Dog Show at the Lake County Fairgrounds in Grayslake.

might want to buy."

While they might be simple pets, the dogs are upheld to very complicated rules. In order to win a dog show, a pooch must adhere strongly to a standard. These standards are what judges have deemed to be the perfect example of a particular type of breed. The dogs within the shows are then judged by their conformity to the standard. However, other aspects such as the dog's temperament and overall health are taken into consideration.

Show judge Klaus Anseln said each

breed's standard gives has about 20 different criteria for the dogs and breeders to follow. The criteria include hair color, skull structure and gait among other judgement points. On any given day, judges such as Anseln might judge 10-15 different breeds, each looking for specific properties to find the "perfect" dog.

"It's very difficult because each standard is like a blueprint for the breed to follow," Anseln said. "Judging is a lot like a puzzle because some dogs might fit one part of the standard well while they might not fit into another. Our job is to find which

one best fits the blueprint."

One thing is for certain within the shows – it's all about the love of the dogs. If the show was about money, people would have abandoned dog shows long ago. With entry fees and travel expenses in addition to the existing fees of taking care of the animal, dog shows can be extremely taxing on an owner's wallet.

"The entry fee for this show is about \$25 and add that to travel fees because a lot of people travel from all over to enter

Please see DOG SHOW / B11

Alex Findlay gives her Brittany spaniel, Caper, a treat before competing in the Park Shore Kennel Club, Inc. All Breeds Dog Show. Dog lovers from throughout the state flocked to the event.



Shore Kennel Club, Inc. All Breeds Dog Show at the Lake County Fairgrounds.

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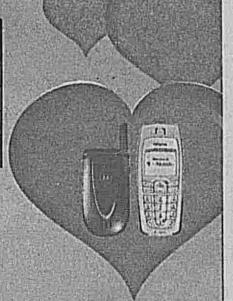
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Pets Corner



Addie

Addie, a husky, really needs a home after being dropped off at Save-A-Pet and tied to the door. He's now doing great and needs to be around people, although he's not recommended for younger kids.



Tora

Tora, 13, is a Siamese mix who came to Save-A-Pet as a stray. He needs to be the only cat in the house, and is not good with kids. He loves to have his chin rubbed and tells you when to pet and hold him. He can jump in your lap on command.



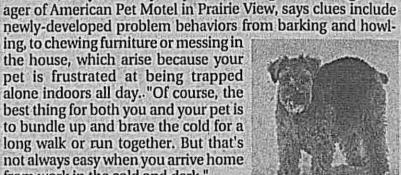
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Chew Chew, 11, lives up to his name as he loves to nibble on your ear. He has been at Save-A-Pet since 1997 since being rescued as a stray. He needs a special diet to help keep his coat healthy.

Chew Chew



Puppy lovers
A batch of puppies at Save-A-Pet await their owners to pick them up. The litter of 10 brown and black Labradors are about eight weeks old. Sorry, but all 10 puppies have been adopted out this month.



from work in the cold and dark." An alternative to lonely days at home alone is doggy day care, also

called day camp or play group. Dogs have the opportunity to exercise and socialize with other dogs in a safe, supervised environment. In addition to group play with the other dogs and one-on-one play with the counselors, campers can enjoy nap breaks and cuddle time with the staff. All for Doggies (773-395-0900) and American Pet Motel (847-634-9444) both offer doggy day care programs. Another local provider is Windy City K-9 Club at 1628 North Elston Avenue (773-384-5959).

Helping Chicagoland pets

overcome 'cabin fever'

Problem behaviors could be a

Seasonal affective disorder (SAD) is a well-known phenomenon in humans. But did you know that pets, especially

"Shorter days and colder weather mean most dogs have fewer opportunities for outdoor exercise and play," says Alisa

How can you tell if your pet is suffering? Kim Young, man-

Cohen manager of All for Doggies at 1760 N. Kilbourn Avenue. "Energetic dogs who require lots of active play and dogs accus-

tomed to spending time outdoors are especially susceptible."

sign of doggy depression

dogs, can suffer from wintertime depression, too?

Cohen notes that dogs can benefit significantly by participating just once or twice each week. Benefits include exercise, improved social skills and fewer negative behaviors at home.

Selecting a day care program for your pet has much in common with choosing a day care program for your child," says Young. "Look for a clean, safe, environment run by qualified and trained people. To find such a program, you must take the time to visit the facility, observe the program in action; and ask lots of questions of the staff, as well as clients of the pro-

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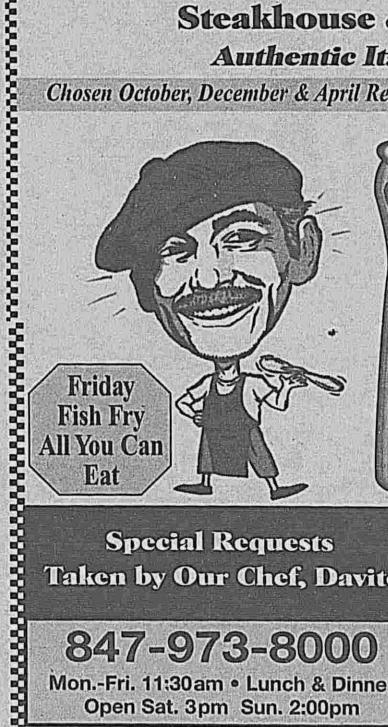
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Local geologist hosts a voyage to other planets

In the past five decades, human exploration of Earth's neighbors in space has resulted in nothing less than a revolution in science. Moons and planets once only dimly perceived through telescope lenses have been visited and photographed at close range by an armada of American, Russian, and European spacecraft. Local geologist and science-guidebook author Raymond Wiggers reveals the amazing and often visually beautiful discoveries that have resulted, at the special slide talk "A Geologist's View of the Solar System," at 7 p.m., Monday Feb. 7, at the Algonquin Area Public Library, 2600 Hamish Road in Algonquin. The public is cordially invited to attend this free, hour-long presentation. For information about this event, contact Marie Zahnle at 847-458-6060 or mzahnle@aapld.org.

The lecture features an array of arresting facts, newly developed theories, and full-color images recently transmitted by landers and other space probes exploring our solar system. Mr. Wiggers places special emphasis on why the planet Venus, often considered Earth's twin, evolved into a nightmarish, greenhouse-effect world with a pressure-cooker atmosphere, a barren and tortured landscape, and sulfuric-acid rain. Wiggers also takes an in-depth look at the volcanoes and canyons of Mars, the amazingly diverse moons of Jupiter, and the newly obtained photographs of Saturn's mysterious moon Titan.

Wiggers, a lecturer in the earth sciences at Lake Forest College and a well-known public speaker and tour guide, has authored four natural-history guidebooks, including the popular and highly regarded Geology Underfoot in Illinois (Mountain Press, 1997). For more information on Wiggers' other public educational activities, visit www.raymondwiggers.com.

Small business fair at CLC

If you are thinking of starting your own business or are looking for independent distributors for an existing business, check out the Small Business Opportunity Fair on Wednesday, Feb. 9 from 4-7 p.m. in rooms C002-C003 at the College of Lake County's Grayslake campus.

Franchise representatives from companies such as Nationwide Floor and Windows, Fantastic Sams, Money Mailer and Action International will be present at the fair. Information about independent employment opportunities from companies such as Mary Kay Cosmetics, AFLAC and The Pampered Chef will also be available. In addition, information on financing sources such as National City Bank and Lake County Partners and educational resources from CLC's Small Business Development Center will also be provided.

For more information, contact Kent Korth, CLC Career and Placement Services Center, 847-543-2059.



Stephanie Marsh and Leah Fiore sail across the floor of the Talent Forum dance studio in Libertyville during a rehearsal with the Forum Jazz Dance Theatre II.— **Photo by Sandy Bressner**

Dance studio prepares students for life on-stage

By Kyle Schmitt

Staff Reporter

The school's students come from throughout the county, and they train to compete against the world's best dancers. But no matter how old or young, those who progress through the Talent Forum Dance Studio in Libertyville will always have a home at Shelley Hoselton's place.

Teaching students from 3-years-old to adults, the studio has won fame in recent years by national and international competitions. Around 60 elementary, junior high and high school students take part in the Footprints Tap Ensemble and Forum Jazz Dance Studio, where Hoselton teaches them different styles, hones their technique and how to perform intricate choreography.

"It's one of the last forms of discipline that our kids get in this day and age," she said of dance. "It gives them a sense of pride and confidence, and it makes them leaders."

Most Talent Forum students plan to seek careers in dance after they finish classes, though the level of competition provides an education they can't receive elsewhere. Hoselton's students took second place behind a Russian group in a recent Jazz Dance World Congress, and the tap program is highly rated in the U.S.

A show held Jan. 29 in the Vernon Hills High School theater showcased the jazz groups' talents, as members performed styles ranging from lyrical to funk.

Choreographed by artistic director Eddy Ocampo and associate artistic director Richard Smith, the show presents a "very sophisticated and very impressive" young cast, Hoselton said. "I think it's extremely intense, passionate works that are very well-developed beyond the years of the students performing it," she said. "I'm always amazed by what they're able to do."

Most students earn honor-roll grades in addition to taking grueling dance training schedules, Hoselton said. Their dedication and emotional and time investments create a unique family atmosphere at the studio. "In one sense of the word, I'm a second mom," she said. "But when they're teenagers, they believe what I say. That's why I love my job," she said, laughing.

Even her own mentor, Betty Daly Rahmel, continued teaching courses last year while in her mid-80s. Hoselton said she was amazed to see Rahmel get down on the Talent Forum floor and stretch with her students before their training, remarking, "She was quite the dame."

Her proteges remember her upon passing into adulthood, and many graduates return to the school to teach or advise younger dancers like St. Joseph School eighth-grader C.J. Salvador. A second-year student at Talent Forum, he participates in Forum Jazz Dance Theatre II and the Footprints Tap Ensemble.

"The staff is wonderful, and all the girls are awesome and so friendly," Salvador said. "I love dance, so it's not work for me, I always have fun doing it."

His schedule is packed, as Salvador studies enough to make straight-As while taking 10 classes at Talent Forum every week. He said he doesn't mind the physical and mental strain, which he hopes would show him a path toward a career in hip-hop and/or tap dancing.

"It keeps me in great shape, and I'm around pretty girls all the time," he said. "So those are some of the perks."

Salvador's tap ensemble is self-directed, and the students handle the majority of choreography, lighting cues and scheduling duties. He agreed with Hoselton that incorporating dance into his life would make him a more responsible adult, and bring him closer to his dream.

"I just hope the staff members make me the best dancer I can be. And I'm pretty sure that they will do that."

The Talent Forum Dance Studio's next show is the Marc Showcase, scheduled to be held on March 20 at the Vernon Hills High School Auditorium. For information on tryouts, call the forum at 847-816-1711.

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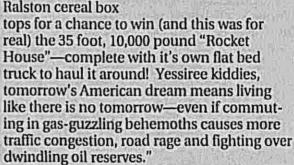
Future schlock

ately my acid reflux has me dreaming about a twisted version of my baby boomer youth. And Rod Serling, creator of that 1950s TV classic, "The Twilight Zone," could be introducing each nightmarish "episode:" "You're traveling through another dimension, a dimension not only of sight and sound but of mind; a journey into a wondrous land whose boundaries are that of imagination. Next stop..." (PLEASE let me wake up so the next stop is the bathroom medicine cabinet for a dose of Maalox.)

You see, instead of dreaming about "Howdy Doody" or "Bozo the Clown," I'm trying to sleep through recurring "predictions" about the current decade—all filtered through an imaginary 1950s black and white TV set. And, let me tell you, it's scary when you realize you're dreaming about a "future" seemingly without

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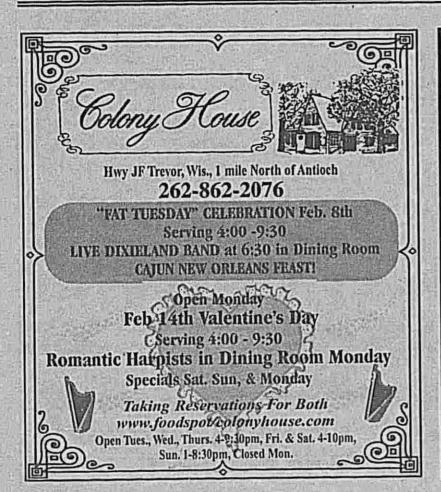
"Then don't miss the antics of dad Ozzie and America's best loved sitcom family. Of course, the two kids are up to their same old tricks. So, once again, dad has to lay down the law." (Run clip of an aging rocker's fatherly "advice" being bleeped out, while the 2005 'version of "Harriet" and her kids compare navel piercings.)

"Next, stay tuned for this word from our sponsor." (Cartoon of hammer pounding an empty head appears.) Plop, plop, fizz, fizz. Oh what an economic 'relief' consumerism is. That's why 'experts' recommend no-holdsbarred product consumption. Don't wait boomer babies. Buy now Pay later (YA THINK?) with skyrocketing levels of debt, bankruptcy and foreclosure."

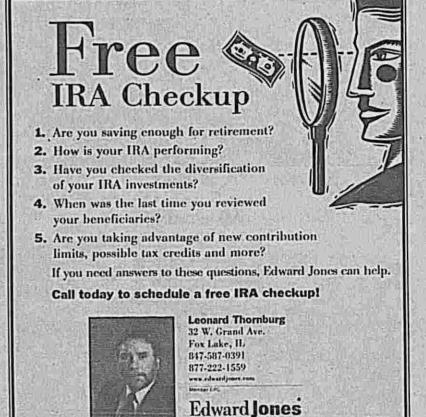
"Finally, we interrupt this program for a test of the "Boomer Emergency Broadcast System. Question: Can the baby boomer generation stop thinking of itself long enough to ensure a worthwhile future for its kids?" Take a guess—and sweet dreams."

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Pomegranate adds unusual flair to stir-fry, host of other dishes

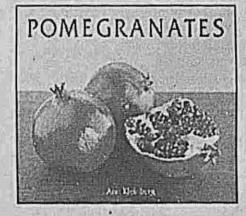


COOKING BY THE BOOK

Talk about single-subject cookbooks: Food columnist Ann Kleinberg has authored a beaut in "Pomegranates" (Ten Speed Press), featuring a collection of more than 60 recipes on the colorful fruit, from starters to main courses to desserts.

Kleinberg provides a brief history of pomegranates and discusses how to select, store, juice and seed them. Warning: Work carefully with a colander over the sink when ferreting the seeds from a pomegranate, or run the risk of stains as the liquid squirts hither and yon.

This stir-fry incorporates pomegranate syrup and fresh seeds, and the unusual recipe is both colorful and tasty.



Tuna, Asparagus and Pomegranate Stir-Fry

SAUCE

6 Tbl. rice vinegar

3 Tbl. sherry

2 Tbl. pomegranate syrup*

2 Tbl. light soy sauce

1 Tbl. sesame oil 1 Tbl. peeled and

2 cloves garlic, minced

grated fresh ginger

1 bunch (about 15 spears) asparagus 1/2 cup water

3 to 4 Tbl. vegetable oil

1 lb. tuna steak, cut into

1-in. chunks

1 (8-oz.) Can whole water chestnuts, drained and

1 red bell pepper, cut into

2-in. long strips

1 Tbl. unsalted butter

1/3 cup pomegranate seeds 1/4 cup sesame seeds,

for garnish

Combine the vinegar, sherry, pomegranate syrup, soy sauce, sesame oil, ginger and garlic in a saucepan over medium heat. Stir and cook for about 5 minutes, or until it is reduced by half and thickened to a sauce."

Snap off and discard the tough ends of the asparagus. Cut the spears on the diagonal into 3-inch pieces. Bring the water to a boil in a skillet over high heat and add the asparagus.

Decrease the heat, cover and cook for 3 minutes. Using tongs or a slotted spoon, transfer the asparagus

Heat 3 tablespoons of the corn oil in a wok or a deep skillet. Add the tuna and stir-fry for about 1 minute on each side, just until the tuna changes color and the center is still pink. Transfer the tuna to a plate and keep warm. Add the asparagus, water chestnuts, bell pepper and the remaining 1 tablespoon of com oil if needed and stir-fry for 1 minute. Stir in the sauce, butter and half of the pomegranate seeds and cook for 3 minutes. Return the tuna to the wok, stir for a few seconds and then remove the wok from the heat.

Distribute the tuna and vegetables among individual plates. Sprinkle with the remaining pomegranate seeds and sesame seeds and serve immediately. Serves 2

*Pomegranate Syrup

4 cups pomegranate juice

When making pomegranate syrup, you can use freshly squeezed or store-bought pomegranate juice (buy only pure juice, without sugar or flavorings added). Four cups of juice will yield about two cups of syrup.

Pour the juice into a saucepan or skillet and bring to a steady boil over high heat. Decrease the heat to maintain a steady, low bubbling, and cook, stirring occasionally with a wooden spoon. After about 20 to 30 minutes, the juice will have reduced by about one-half and will start to thicken.

To test consistency, dip a spoon in the syrup - if it comes out relatively clean, continue cooking. If the spoon is coated and the syrup takes its time about sliding off, you've done it. Pour the cooled syrup into a jar and close tightly. It will keep in the refrigerator for 6 months.

Kitchen quarterbacks unite Feb. 5

Radisson Northbrook hosts annual cook-off Super Bowl weekend

From the frozen tundra of northern Wisconsin to the chowder-eating regions along the nation's northeast, Americans love their soup. In Chicago, where there hasn't been much to root for this season, veterans and newcomers alike will dust off their kitchen playbooks and offer secret recipes in hopes of being crowned this year's "Souper Star" at the 12th annual Chicken Souper Bowl to be held Saturday, Feb. 5, beginning at 11 a.m. at The Radisson Northbrook Hotel, 2875 N. Milwaukee Ave.

Presented annually on the Saturday of the NFL's Super Bowl weekend, the Chicken Souper Bowl is open to all amateur chefs and strives to uncover the perfect bowl of soup. The top three entries will earn with cash prizes, overnight stays and complimentary meals.

Dishing out his decision on entries will be celebrity judge Jerry Markbreit, a retired 23 -year NFL referee and head official of four NFL Super Bowls.

Entry into the Chicken Souper Bowl is free with a first place prize of \$100 plus Saturday night stay at the Radisson Hotel Northbrook and lavish Sunday Brunch for four at Willows Restaurant located inside the Radisson. Second and third place finishers will receive \$50 and \$25 respectively plus choice of Friday night dinner for two or lavish Sunday Brunch for two in Willows Restaurant. In addition, all contestants will receive Sunday Brunch for two at Willows Restaurant.

Past winners of the Chicken Souper Bowl have included entries of a wide variety and taste including: Dr. Dickies Smokey Chicken Chowder, Zesty Chunky Chicken Soup with Orzo, Boo's Creamy Cajun Corn Chowder, and Belinda's Chunky Chicken Vegetable & Floral Pasta Soup.

For more information or an entry form, call 847-729-7333.

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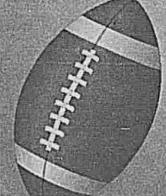
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Rapunzel (Carrie Potesta) is locked up by the Witch (Julie Potesta) in the Oracle Productions' "Rapunzel."

Oracle presents 'Rapunzel'

Oracle Productions, at DePaul University's Barat Campus, is excited to present the timeless classic "Rapunzel" by Sidney Berger, directed by Karin Klesewetter. The Barat Campus's Drake Theater has been home to quality children's theater for more than 30 years, entertaining more than 300,000 children along the way. Oracle Productions is composed of Barat Alumni and students dedicated to continuing this 30-year tradition.

"Rapunzel" will run Feb. 5-6, with shows at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. Tickets are \$5 per person for general admission. VIP tickets are also available which include a seat in the first three rows of the center section, a signed poster and a personal meet-and-greet with the actors and staff of "Rapunzel." "Rapunzel" will run approximately 45 minutes and will be geared toward preschool and grade school students. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 847-530-8555.

This colorful fairytale embarks on the adventure of Rapunzel, a young maiden locked inside a high tower. With her long locks hanging outside the tower window, Rapunzel (Carrie Potesta) desperately waits for something to change her "perfect" life. With an cast including a poetic Dragon (Aaron Shapiro), a dynamic Husband (Eddie Beck) and Wife (Sarah Brandt), a pleasant Prince (Brian Arnoldt), and of course, a wily Witch (Julie Potesta), this delightful children's show is bound to be a wonderful presentation for all ages.

Moving 'Shoes' could use a touch more polish



Linara Washington in a scene from Gloria Bond Clunie's "Shoes" at Victory Gardens Theater.

CRITIC'S CHOICE By TOM WITOM

he concept behind Gloria Bond Clunie's latest play is solid: a look at the civil rights movement as ignited in 1963 by a Birmingham, Ala., church bombing that left four young African-American girls dead. While Clunie fictionalizes her account, this drama, interspersed with gospel songs, draws plenty of inspiration from the tragic incident.

"Shoes," making its premiere at Victory Gardens Theater, looks at the tragic incident through the eyes of one of the victims. Carol (Linara Washington, a picture of sweet innocence) morphs with ease from a smiling 6-year old craving pink Cinderella slippers to a vibrant 14 year old hankering for "grownup" black patent leather high heels. The audience meets her not only in life but soon afterward as a confused, barefoot arrival at heaven's gate.

Sorting out her unexpected fate after the fatal attack, an upbeat Carol is accompanied by Cephus (Warren Jackson), her guide to the next world. Before she takes up residence there, however, she gets a

chance to relive some happy times and to revisit her favorite people (Grandma "Miz Lotty," an everpopular cake maker zestfully played by Jacqueline Williamsby) and schoolmate and boon companion (Denise M. Chapman).

Most importantly, Carol reaches out to comfort as her bereaved parents, played by a steadfast Kenn E. Head and a devastated Ora Jones. Even though they can no longer see her, they sense her presence.

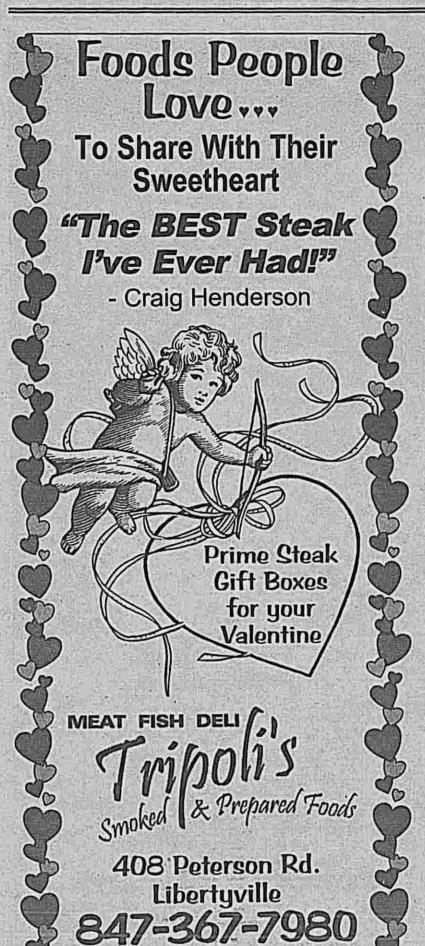
Early on they picked up on the importance of shoes to their daughter. In one school scene, she had won praise for a How-I-Would-Change-the-World essay: "I would buy a pair of shoes for everyone.". Recognizing her parents' need to hang onto a tangible reminder of their lost child, Carol works some heavenly magic to make sure that her new pumps, missing in the explosion, resurface by the final

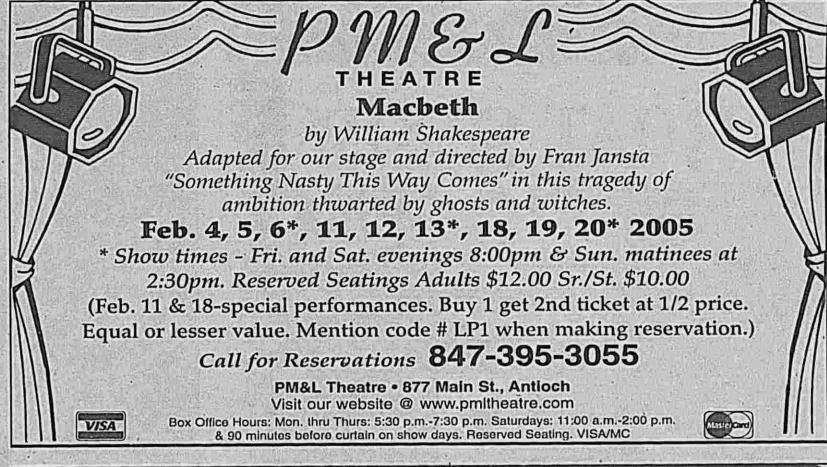
Under director Andrea J. Dymond, "Shoes" gets off to a jerky start, and the action doesn't always show smooth transitions. And though it shows flashes of glory, particularly in Act II, it still has a work-in-progress feel.



"Shoes" Victory Gardens Theater, 2257 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago Through Feb. 27 Ticket Information: (773) 871-3000

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Ten free Colorado blue spruce trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during February:

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The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 comtribution to TEN FREE COLORADO SPRUCE TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City NE 68410, by Feb. 28, or go online to arborday.org.

Volo Bog

Friends of Volo Bog offering scholarships

The Friends of Volo Bog are offering two scholarships for \$1,000 each. One scholarship is for an outstanding Lake or McHenry County high school senior interested in pursuing an environmental career. The second scholarship is for Lake or McHenry County high school graduate who is currently pursing an education in an environmental field of study at an accredited college or university.

To be eligible for the high school senior scholarship, the applicant must reside in Lake or McHenry County, attend a Lake or McHenry County high school, have a minimum B average for the first three years, and plan to attend an accredited college or university. The applicant should be planning to enter a career directly related to preserving the environment.

To be eligible for the college/university scholarship the applicant must have a permanent residence in Lake County or McHenry County, must have graduated from a Lake County or McHenry County high school with a minimum B average, be currently enrolled in an accredited college or university, and have a minimum B average. The applicant should be planning to enter a career directly related to preserving the environment.

Applications will be accepted through Feb. 18. Application packets are available at high school guidance offices or Volo Bog State Natural Area, 28478 W. Brandenburg Road in Ingleside, or call 815-344-1294.

Volo Bog events Guided tours of Volo Bog in winter Saturdays & Sundays—11 a.m. & 1 p.m.

Winter is a beautiful time to take a tour of Volo Bog. Leatherleaf, pitcher plants, tamarack and other plants of the bog have fascinating winter ecologies. Signs of deer, rabbit & raccoons abound; mink, coyote & owls leave signs for more careful observers. No reservations are required for individuals and small groups to attend these one-hour tours. Groups of 10+, please phone for special arrangements.

Volo Bog State Natural Area, an Illinois Department of Natural Resources site in Ingleside, Illinois, can be reached at 815-344-1294.

Bird Walks

Saturday, Feb. 5-8 a.m.

Winter birding is a great way to get out of the house and enjoy the season. Join Randy Schietzelt or Joel Orlinsky, volunteers from McHenry County Audubon, on a winter bird hike at Volo Bog. The bare trees make viewing easier and the small number of species doesn't overwhelm beginning birders. Open to individuals and families; ages 6 to adult are welcome. Reservations are required; phone 815-344-1294 or email volobog@imaxx.net. Please tell how many people and if children are included, please tell the age of the youngest participant.

Animal Tracking II

Sunday, Feb. 6-10 a.m.-noon

All outdoors, participants on this hike will put into practice the techniques of reading the landscape for evidence of wildlife. From deer and mink to mice and birds, they all leave messages to discover. Open to individuals and families; ages 8 to adult are welcome. Reservations are required; phone 815-344-1294 or email volobog@imaxx.net. Please tell how many people and if children are included, please tell the age of the youngest participant.

Lake County Forest Preserves

Silent listeners wanted

Learn the techniques of frog monitoring and become familiar with local frog and toad calls when you become a volunteer Frog Monitor for the Lake County Forest Preserves. Volunteer Frog Monitors are needed for the 2005 monitoring season. Each spring, volunteer Frog Monitors visit Forest Preserve wetlands throughout the County, listening for amphibian mating calls and recording their findings. The data collected are used by Forest Preserve and regional planners to help identify the highest priority wetlands for protection and restoration.

Frog monitoring is open to adults and children 10 years and older willing to donate a few hours a week during the spring season to monitor frog populations. Since frog monitoring requires silent listening and nocturnal site visits, young monitors should be

nocturnal site visits, young monitors should be accompanied by an adult. All volunteers are trained in the techniques of frog monitoring and how to recognize local frog and toad calls.

A Frog Monitoring Volunteer Workshop is set for Wednesday, Feb. 9, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Visitor's Center at Ryerson Conservation Area located on Riverwoods Road south of Half Day Road near Deerfield.

For additional information on becoming a volunteer Frog Monitor, or to register for the Frog Monitoring Volunteer Workshop, contact Tom Smith, Volunteer Coordinator, at 847-968-3329.

Adult day trips explore the undersea world

Adventurous adults can spice up their Saturdays by participating in adult day trips with the Lake County Forest Preserves. These learning voyages take participants back in time and under the sea to experience local treasures such as the John G. Shedd Aquarium.

The Shedd Aquarium Tour is open to adults only and will take place on Saturday, Feb. 5 from noon to 6 p.m. The cost, which includes transportation from the Forest Preserve General Offices, entrance fees and a light snack, is \$50 per person for Lake County residents and \$70 for non-residents.

All day trips leave from the Forest Preserve General Offices at 2000 N. Milwaukee Avenue, just north of Buckley Road (Route 137) in Libertyville. Both programs are open to adults only. Registration and prepayment is required. To register, call 847-968-3321.

Get a bang out of bird houses

Lake County Audubon Society will sponsor one of its most popular programs on Monday, Feb. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the Libertyville Village Hall Meeting Room, Assembling handmade birdhouses from kits is a sure way to get in the mood for spring and is perfectly timed for March's early arrivals. In addition to this constructive activity, attendees will have an additional treat when Della Hamberg, avid birder, helps in identifying birds by their calls and songs.

The public is invited to participate in this project, which requires only a hammer. Cost for the kit is \$8 for members and \$11 for nonmembers. Membership is available that evening with a special

new-member fee of \$20.

The second floor meeting room of the Libertyville Village Hall is at 118 W. Cook, one block west of Milwaukee Avenue across the street from Cook Memorial Library.

For information, contact Chris Geiselhart at 847-362-5134.

Attend Mardi Gras masquerade at the Discovery Museum

Make your own Mardi Gras mask to wear as you learn about the history of Fat Tuesday at the fourth annual Mardi Gras Masquerade on Saturday, Feb. 5, from 10-11:30 a.m., at the Lake County Discovery Museum, located in Lakewood Forest Preserve on Route 176 at Fairfield Road near Wauconda.

Children ages four to 10 will have fun while learning about the interesting and entertaining history and traditions of Mardi Gras. Traditional Mardi Gras food, games and music are all part of the fun. Costumes are encouraged. Program cost is \$5 per person for Lake County residents and \$7 for non-residents, and includes admission to the Museum's exhibits. Registration and prepayment is required. Register early, space is limited.

Currently featured in the special exhibition gallery is "Sweetness: The Walter Payton Story," an exhibit featuring the extraordinary life and achievements of Chicago football legend Walter Payton. Gallery hours are Sunday through Friday 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

To register for Mardi Gras Masquerade, call 847-968-3321. For additional information on this and other Forest Preserve programs call 847-367-6640 and request a free copy of the Horizons quarterly newsletter or visit online at www.LCFPD.org.

Trace the tracks left in the snow

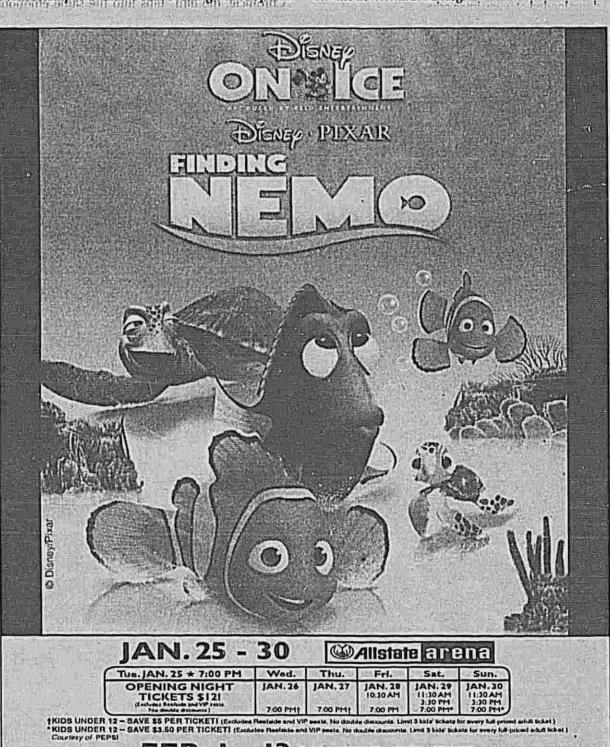
What's that in the snow? Who's been here? Join the Forest Preserves and trace the tracks that animals leave behind in the winter snow.

Footprints in the Snow is open to adults and families with children six years and older. The program will consist of some off-trail hiking, as participants follow tracks and learn to let their senses and skills of observation answer all the questions of "Who's been here?"

Footprints in the Snow will be offered Sunday Feb. 6, from 1:30-3 p.m., at Almond Marsh Forest Preserve near Grayslake. Cost is \$7 (\$5 for Lake County residents) per person. Registration and prepayment are required. Call 847-968-3321 to register. The entrance to Almond Marsh is located on Almond Road, just south of Route 120 and north of Casey Road.

For more winter programs, a calendar of events, and additional information about the Lake County Forest Preserves, call 847-367-6640 and request a free subscription the Horizons quarterly newsletter or visit on-line at www.LCFPD.org.





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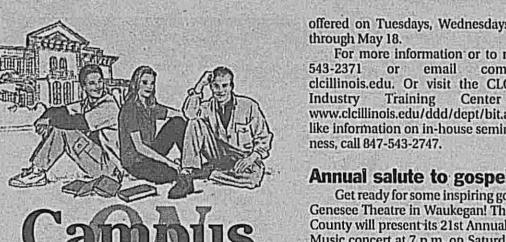
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'Saturday Llive At IMSA' campus visitation opportunities set for prospective students

The Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA) will open its doors to prospective students and parents one Saturday a month through May 2005 to provide information about its residential educational program.

During the sessions, called Saturday Live at IMSA, admissions staff will be available from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. to answer questions about the admissions process and provide information about IMSA's academic and residential programs. Campus tours also will be available, as well as opportunities to speak with current IMSA students.

Call the IMSA Office of Admissions at 630-907-5027 or 800-500-IMSA [4672] to schedule your visit. Dates are by reservation only and tend to fill quickly so call soon to schedule your visit. Lunch tickets will also be available.

Saturday Live! upcoming available dates for the 2004-2005 academic year are Feb. 12, March 12, April 16 and May 21.

Located in Aurora in the high-tech corridor west of Chicago, IMSA serves the people of Illinois through innovative instructional programs, public and private partnerships, policy counsel, action research, and the leadership and achievements of its

Applications for the IMSA Class of 2008, which will enroll next fall, are now available. Talented Illinois students enrolled in the equivalent of a ninth grade program are eligible for consideration. Tuition and most room and board expenses are provided by state funds. A written application must be completed and returned to IMSA, postmarked no later than March 1. Students should contact their high school guidance counselor or IMSA's admission office at 630-907-5028 or 800-500-IMSA to receive an application. Applications can also be downloaded at www.imsa.edu.

CLC

Business and Industry Services offers spring seminars

Do you need to learn a computer software program in a hurry? Taking a one- or two-day computer seminar from the College of Lake County's Business and Industry Training Center is a great way to quickly develop basic or advanced computer skills. Classes are offered in the new Technology Building on the Grayslake campus or at the Southlake Educational Center in Vernon Hills.

The seminars feature a maximum 12-to-1 student-to-instructor ratio, industry-experienced instructors and take-home training materials. Students who sign up for three classes will receive a 10 percent discount. One-day seminars (held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) cost \$179 and two-day seminars (held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) cost \$189.

Upcoming programs include introductory classes in the following software programs: Word, Publisher, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Photoshop 7.0, Outlook, Dreamweaver MX, Illustrator 10.0 and FrontPage. Intermediate classes will be offered in Outlook, Word, Access, PowerPoint, Excel, Photoshop 7.0. Advanced seminars in Word, Access, FrontPage and Excel will also be offered. Classes are

offered on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

For more information or to register, call 847-543-2371 or email computerseminars@ clcillinois.edu. Or visit the CLC Business and Industry Training Center Web site: www.clcillinois.edu/ddd/dept/bit.asp. If you would like information on in-house seminars at your busi-

Annual salute to gospel Feb. 19

Get ready for some inspiring gospel music at the Genesee Theatre in Waukegan! The College of Lake County will present its 21st Annual Salute to Gospel Music concert at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 19 at the newly renovated Genesee Theatre. The CLC Gospel Choir will open the concert under the direction of a guest conductor, Steve Lawrence of Bishop T.D. Jakes' Potter House Ministries of Dallas, Tex. The Gospel Choir will perform some of Lawrence's original music.

Special guests include the Hunter Brothers of Little Rock, Ark., and the Rance Allen Group of Monroe, Mich. In addition, the Rev. Gerald Wilcoxon, pastor of Mount Sinai Institutional Baptist Church in North Chicago, will be honored with the 2005 Harambee Award of Excellence, given by the College of Lake County.

Tickets for the concert cost \$15 for the general public; \$12 for CLC students, Alumni Association members and seniors 65+; and \$8 for children under 12. For more information, call the CLC Lakeshore Campus Special Projects Hotline at 847-543-2194.

Tickets can be purchased at the reception counter in the Lakeshore Campus South lobby, 33 N. Genesee Street, Waukegan, from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday. Tickets can also be purchased at the CLC Box Office, located in the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts in Grayslake, through Feb. 17. Call the Box Office at 847-543-2300. Tickets will also be available at the door prior to the concert. The Genesee Theatre is located at 203 N. Genesee Street in downtown Waukegan.

Film series shown on first Fridays

Two international films, "The Man on the Train" and "La Dolce Vita," will be presented on Feb. 4 and Mar. 4 at the College of Lake County. The free film showings will begin at 7 p.m. in room A162 on the Grayslake campus.

The Man on the Train" will be shown on Friday, Feb. 4. In this warmhearted French film, released in 2002, two men meet on a train and become friends, despite their immense differences (one is a crook, the other a teacher). Roger Ebert said, "After the film is over, you want to sigh with joy, that in this rude world such civilization is still possible." According to Mick LaSalle of The San Francisco Chronicle, the film "taps into the same emotional current that sustains the entire 'buddy picture' genre, but does so with feeling and unmistakable insight.'

On Friday, Mar. 4, "La Dolce Vita" will be shown. Known as director Federico Fellini's career masterpiece and starring Marcello Mastrolanni, the film is a piece of cynical, engrossing social commentary. "La Dolce Vita," an episodic nearly threehour 1960 Italian film, is held tightly in focus by the wandering protagonist, through whom we witness the sordid action and peek into the self-indulgent immorality of post-war Rome. For trivia buffs, the film contributed the term "paparazzi" to the language, deriving from Marcello's photographer friend, Paparazzo.

The Film Series is presented by CLC International Education. The films are free and subtitled when necessary. The films have adult content and are not suitable for children. For more information, call Patrick Gonder, 847-543-2555.

Valentine's Day art sale at Artcetera

Unique and artistic gift ideas for your sweetheart will abound at the Valentine's Day Art Sale at the College of Lake County, Feb. 6-8. The sale will feature 10 percent off all original art, including handmade jewelry, scarves, ceramics, sculpture and photography.

The event will be held from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the lasting from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

ARTcetera Sales and Rental Gallery. It is located adjacent to the Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art in the Learning Resource Center at CLC's Grayslake Campus. Parking is available in Lots 7 and 7A, just off the Brae Loch Road entrance to the campus.

For information, call Donna Sands at

CLC students hope to raise \$10,000 for tsunami relief

Two student groups at the College of Lake County, the International Club and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, have teamed up to raise funds for the Tsunami disaster relief efforts. The students' goal is to raise \$10,000 from the CLC community by the end

Donations will be collected on campus and sent to the American Red Cross, UNICEF and the Chinmaya Missions of India, Sri Lanka and Indonesia. Donations are being collected at administrative offices at all three CLC campuses -Grayslake, Southlake and Lakeshore - or at the Student Activities Office, room C101, College of Lake County, 19351 W. Washington St., Grayslake, IL 60030. For those wishing to make their donations tax deductible, checks should be made out to the College of Lake County Foundation (add Tsunami Relief Fund in the memo line).

For more information, call the Student Activities Office, 847-543-2287.

Gorton **Community Center**

Interested persons should register and pay for classes and workshops in advance. For further information, or to receive a program booklet, call 847-234-6060, visit the Web site at www.gortoncenter.org, or stop by the Gorton office, 400 East Illinois Rd. in Lake Forest, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., weekdays.

Flora design workshop

Floral Design 101 with Miki Herman has returned to Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Rd. in Lake Forest. Workshops will be held on Tuesdays, Feb. 8 and Feb. 16 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Each individual class has a cost of \$45. Fresh flowers and tools will be provided for each workshop. (There may be a small additional fee for some

There is no better way to brighten up the dull, cold days of winter than with fresh, beautiful flowers and this series of classes will teach you how to work with and enjoy them. Come and learn the basics of floral design in any or all of these four workshops.

Feb. 8: Learn a different approach to floral design by working in oasis. This technique allows for the creation of arrangements in a variety of unique containers and is the basis for most centerpieces.

Feb. 16: Bring everything you've learned in the previous classes-either this session or past sessions—and an interesting container of your own to create a beautiful fresh flower arrangement.

'Where the Wild Things Are'

"Where the Wild Things Are and other Bedtime Adventures" (geared to Pre-K to 3rd graders) will be presented by Emerald City Theatre Company at Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Road, Lake Forest. Emerald City Theatre and Gorton have teamed up to bring this delightful event of laughter , and fun to all of you.

Join that wolf-clad scamp Max and his exasper-ated parents as they travel in and out of weeks and over a year through the imaginative world of bedtime stories. This lively world premiere musical brings to life some of Maurice Sendak's most delightful works: "Pierre," "Alligators All Around," "One Was Johnny," "Chicken Soup with Wild Rice" and culminates in a musical celebration of his Caldecott-award winning book, "Where the Wild Things Are." Through the use of song, dance, and spectacular puppetry, all of these stories will come to life! Join in the musical fun, including a Wild Rumpus that will shake the rafters.

Tickets cost \$10 for the Saturday, Feb. 5 event,

Writing workshop for kids

Writing and Workshop for 3rd - 6th graders, will be offered at Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Road, Lake Forest on Saturday, Feb. 5, from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost of the program is \$45 (minimum 10 participants).

This popular workshop, geared to children in grades 3 - 6, is led by children,s author and publisher James H. Lehman. Jim encourages students to let their imaginations tell their tales, while teaching proper writing skills. He helps the kids, find interesting and unusual ideas, showing them how to fashion ideas into engaging and effective stories as they learn to enjoy the pleasures of cre-ative writing. Students should bring a notebook and pencil or pen. Writing paper will be supplied. Jim Lehman wrote "The Owl and the Tuba," "The Saga of Shakespeare Pintlewood," and "The Great Silver Fountain Pen," among other stories for chil-

Interested persons should register and pay in advance. For further information, or to receive a program booklet, contact us at 847-234-6060, visit our website at www.gortoncenter.org, or stop by the Gorton office between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., week-

'Simply Cooking' Workshops

Chocolate Desserts with Chef Instructor Tamara White returns to Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Road, Lake Forest on Tuesday, Feb. 8 from 6-9 p.m. the cost of the workshop is \$55 (minimum 5 participants / maximum15).

Just in time for Valentine's Day... Sweets for the sweet. You'll make treats such as hand-rolled truffles and petite fores. This class would make a great Valentine's Day gift for your favorite chocoholic.

Chef Instructor White holds a degree in Culinary Art and a second degree in Pastry. She currently teaches Food Styling and Food Photography classes at a local college. She has worked as a food stylist and assistant food stylist with Chicago Tribune Holiday Food Section, Chicago Sun Times Holiday Food Section, and Crate-N-Barrel. She was also a Chef Instructor at the Cordon Bleu Cooking

Interested participants should register early and pay in advance. For further information, or to receive a program booklet, contact us at 847-234-6060, visit our website at www.gortoncenter.org, or stop by the Gorton office between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., weekdays.

Sewing classes continue

Basic Sewing for Busy Women - Home Décor is held on Tuesdays, Feb. 8-March 1 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. The class costs \$115, not including extra supplies as needed and has a prerequisite of an introductory class or basic skill sewing (minimum 3 participants / maximum 10). In this popular and fun class with Wendy Koch, you will learn the essential techniques required to construct elegant, or even playful, items for your home, such as decorative pillows, simple window treatments, table linens, or bedding. Instruction will also include measurement, and fabric and pattern choices. Sewing machines

Quality care for children aged 6 weeks to five years old will be available for all sewing classes, by reservation for an additional fee.

Soulscapes

Soulscapes, a new class focusing on Music, Art, and Breath for Meditation, will begin at Gorton Community Center, 400 East Illinois Road, Lake Forest. Session II will run on Mondays from Feb. 28-March 21, from 7:30-9 p.m. These classes may be taken as a series of four at a cost of \$75, or as individual classes at a cost of \$25 each.

Do the pace and demand of daily activity, home and work have your head spinning? This class will help you settle your "racing mind" and satisfy your yearning for a peaceful and balanced life! We will align body and soul with beautiful, evocative music. We will also utilize guided imagery, focused breathing and mandala drawing to tap into inspired thinking and unleash creativity. A new series will begin each month with newly designed music and inspirational meditations.





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4 = Wow! I'm impressed

3 = Worth seeing but could've been better

2 = Wait until this movie comes out on video 1 = Someone should be fired for making this movie

Beyond therapy

avid and Alison Callaway (Robert De Niro and Amy Irving), a not so happily married couple, live in New York City with their young daughter Emily (Dakota Fanning). In a set up somewhat similar to "Cold Creek Manor" (Dennis Quaid and Sharon Stone), the challenges of life in the big city result in a move to the country for peace and quiet. Of course, there are trapdoors in life that are found in small towns that even NYC doesn't have.

After Alison Callaway's bloody bathtub suicide, father and daughter hightail it to a large home on the lake, in a town that is pretty much deserted except during the summer months. David, who is a psychologist, starts to be concerned for Emily when she begins seeing Charlie, a person who begins to

wreak havoc on the household, and who she claims writes in blood on the bathroom wall, much like the scene of Alison's demise.

David exhibits an eerie calm rather than sadness about the death of his wife. He is anxious about Emily's odd behavior and heconsults with his colleague, and Emily's psychologist, Katherine (Famke Janssen). They both agree that it's not unusual that given the trauma Emily's gone through that she might make up a friend to confide in. Of course, Dr. David's having his own problems sleeping. He wakes up each night at 2:06 a.m., the exact time he discovered his wife's body. And each night a new horror awaits him beyond the bathroom door.

David and Emily's new home town of Woodland, seems to be



Emily Callaway (Dakota Fanning) is haunted by her new invisible friend Charlie in the thriller "Hide and Seek."

NEW RELEASES

These films are currently playing at local theaters. An average of six new reviews a week as well as recent releases can be found under Now Playing at www.reelmoviecritic.com.

opening this week

still playing

Hotel Rwanda (PG-13) Stars Don Cheadle. This is # 1 on both George and Pam's Top 10 for 2004.

Million Dollar Baby (PG-13) Best Director (Clint Eastwood) as selected by the Chicago Film Critics Association and winner of Golden Globe.

A Very Long Engagement (R) Best Foreign Language Film as selected by the Chicago Film Critics Association.

In Good Company (PG-13) A must see for anyone that has gone through a downsizing or corporate buy-out. Stars Marg Helgenberger of TV's CSI, with Dennis Quald, Topher Grace,

Assault on Precinct 13 (PG)

and Scarlett Johansson.

Coach Carter (PG-13) Inspired by the true story of Ken Carter (Samuel L. Jackson), a high school basketball coach in the tough San Francisco suburb of Richmond, this film captures the spirit of many communities in this country. A place where too many kids are preparing to become pleased with working minimum wage jobs or selling drugs, because of the apathy of parents,

A bit heavy on the melodrama at times, this film nonetheless presents an entertaining way for young adults to think about the consequences of premarital sex, the hopes for earning millions as a sports celebrity, and how easy it is to accept living at life's lowest common denominator. Our kids deserve more and Coach Carter showed them how to get it. It comes from within.

school and elected officials.

Beyond the Sea (PG-13)

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Racing Stripes (PG)

Are We There Yet? PG)

Alone in the Dark (R)

Boogeyman: Set in our Windy City of Chicago, the film tells the terrifying tale of a young man traumatized by memories of frightful events he experienced in his childhood. Years later, he reluctantly returns home to face his fears of a monstrous entity that could be real or merely a bad dream occurring while he's awake. (PG-13)



The Wedding Date: Emily Deschanel returns to her parents' London home for her sister's wedding. Not wanting to face the ex fiancé who dumped her two years ago, she hires male escort Dermot Mulroney to pose as her new boyfriend. (PG-13)

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tric residents, including a nosey real estate agent and the inquisitive Sheriff Hafferty (Dylan Baker), who has a key to every house around the lake. Nervous next door neighbors Laura (Melissa Leo) and her husband are overjoyed that the father and daughter have moved in, even though it reminds them of the recent loss of their own child.

populated with a number of eccen-

Emily enlightens Elizabeth (Elisabeth Shue), a possible love interest for Dad, when she tells her that Mom slit her wrists, and she warns Elizabeth, "just hope you don't end up like her."

As the body count mounts, you can deduce that the villain is either supernatural or one of the remaining actors. The fun in this film comes from unraveling this mys-

Young Dakota Fanning brings a certain horror to this mystery with her gaunt, hollow eyed look. De Niro is De Niro and to say too much about him would be a spoiler.

Janssen and Shue add glamour to what otherwise is a bleak story. Hey, since this is a horror film,

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who's looking for good times?

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Hide and Seek

Review by Pam & George O. Singleton at Info@reelmoviecritic.com

Cast

Robert De Niro .. David Callaway Dakota Fanning...Emily Callaway Famke Janssen.....Katherine Dylan Baker Sheriff Hafferty Amy IrvingAlison Callaway Melissa LeoLaura Elisabeth ShueElizabeth

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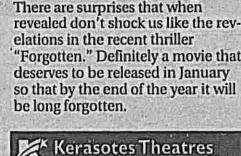
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good. Despite the stellar cast "Hide and Seek" falls into that category. There are a few moments that make you jump, but not enough suspense to sustain or create a feeling of true horror. The film aims to be a modern day "Psycho," but " misses the mark in part because we are more used to domestic violence than was the case 50 years ago. There are surprises that when revealed don't shock us like the revelations in the recent thriller "Forgotten." Definitely a movie that deserves to be released in January so that by the end of the year it will



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Pageant

Search for Mrs. Illinois

Marcie Aceto, the Illinois Director for the Mrs. Illinois America Pageant system is announcing that the search is still on for Mrs. Illinois. Once selected, the community representative will then advance on to compete in the Mrs. Illinois America Pageant held this year in the beautiful Hemmens Theatre in Elgin on April 30-May 1. Contestants will compete to win thousands in prizes, one of which includes paid trip for 15 days to Palm Springs, Cal., to compete for Mrs. America at the Magnificent Riviera Resort.

Interested applicants must live or work in the Illinois area, must be married during the time of competition, a resident of the state for at least six months, a U.S. Citizen and be at least 18 years old. There is no age limit or performing talent.

Prospective contestants can request and receive free entry information by contacting Karen at 630-325-5509.

Concert

Bluegrass Music

Enjoy an evening of fun and music with family and friends Saturday, Feb. 12, when James Creek Road performs at Westfield School in Winthrop Harbor at 7 p.m. Westfield School is located on 9th Street, just west of Sheridan Road, Admission is free, but donations at the door are appreciated.

Theater

NYC theater tour

The University of Wisconsin-Parkside Theatre Arts Department invites area residents to experience theatre as it was meant to be experienced: on Broadway! The department is offering its New York

Professional Theatre Trip March 12-19.

Along with round-trip airfare from Milwaukee to New York and round-trip ground transportation to and from the tour hotel, the package includes excellent seats to four major New York productions. Participants also have the opportunity to hear from a series of guest speakers including actors, directors, and designers.

Space for the UW-Parkside New York Professional Theatre Trip is limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call the Theatre Arts Office at 262-595-2702 or 262-595-2581,

Meeting

Stenciling group

The Lakes Area Artisans chapter of the Stencil Artisans League meets at 7 p.m. the first Thursday of each month in the Libertyville/Mundelein/Vernon Hills area. The organization is dedicated to the pormotion and preservation of the art of stenciling, faux finishing and decorative painting. There is no art experience or talent required to enjoy this group. Each meeting is focused around a learning project.

At the Feb. 8 meeting, they will be stenciling on fabric that will be made into a purse. The activity for the March 3 meeting will be stenciling on a mirror. Reservations are necessary. The project will be presented in a fun and easy format. For more information, call 847-680-7166.

Booksigning

Booksigning

Meet Kenosha's own Chef Tony Mantuano from Mangia Restaurant and get great tips on elegant Italian cooking at the Kenosha Public Museum Sunday, Feb. 6 at 2 p.m. Mantuano's new book, "Spiaggia Cookbook: Eleganza Italiana in Cucina," will be available for purchase and personal inscription. The program is free. For more information, call the museum at 262-653-4140.

Audition

Ballet school to hold auditions

The nationally-renowned Pacific Northwest Ballet School (PNBS) is in the midst of its annual audition tour for its prestigious five-week Summer Course. Of those who audition, approximately 300 will be chosen to attend an intensive training session in Seattle from July 11-August 12. Students ages 12 to 18 are invited to audition. There is a \$20 registration fee, payable at the audition. No advance registration is needed.

Auditions will be held Saturday, Feb. 5, at The School of Ballet, 218 S. Wabash Ave., 3rd floor, in Chicago. Times are broken into age groups: 4 p.m. for 12-13 years, 6 p.m. for 14-15 years and 7:30 p.m.

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highest caliber of intensive classical training, the PNBS Summer Course is augmented by a rich diversity of dance forms necessary to meet the eclectic demands of dance companies today. Daily ballet classes are supplemented with pointe, mens classes, variations, repertory, and adagio. Specialty courses in modern, jazz and character/Spanish dance fill out the regular curriculum. Students will also attend a variety of dance-related seminars and lectures on topics such as nutrition, dance history, music, and pointe shoe fitting.

The PNBS Summer Course is held in Pacific Northwest Ballet's world class facility, The Phelps Center. This state-of-the-art dance center provides the ideal environment for serious ballet training.

Kids' Event

Balloon fun at McHenry library

The McHenry Public Library, 809 Front Street, will be hosting area entertainer Holly Nagel on Sunday, Feb. 6 at 1:30 p.m. for her Sculptured Balloon Storytime Fun. Nagel will be telling a variety of stories using sculptured balloons as props and volunteers as characters. The stories included will be fun fantasy, fractured fairy tales, Aesop's tales and feel-good stories. For info or to reserve your space call the library at 815-385-0036.

Nagel, owner of Twist 'n' Shout, based in Lake Villa, features two types of entertainment: Balloon Sculpting for all occasions and events, and Hula Dancing Shows for kids, parties. Nagel can be seen regularly sculpting balloons at the IHOP in McHenry on Rte 120 on Tuesday nights, at the IHOP in Vernon Hills on Rte 60 on Wednesday nights and at the Lantern in Lake Forest on Western on Sunday nights. www.hollynagel.com

Charity

Support food pantry

Community Trust Credit Union reminds us that the holidays aren't the only time that people in need throughout Lake County can use our help. That's why the popular credit union is urging its members and neighbors to drop off canned and boxed food items throughout the month of February at any of its three offices at its main branch at 1313 Skokie Highway in Gurnee, or its 1263 N. Route 83 or 1868 E. Belvidere Road office in Grayslake.

Those interested in making a monetary donation should make checks payable to: Avon Township Food Pantry.

Items collected will go to help the Avon Township Food Pantry continue to provide help to families in need throughout the Round Lake area.

For information, call 847-662-2050 ext. 244.

Drivers wanted for First Look for Charity Gala

Clearbrook is gearing up for the 2005 Chicago Auto Show's preview gala, First Look for Charity, on Thursday, Feb.10. The Chicago Auto Show previews more than 1,000 new vehicles, some on display for the first time anywhere. The exclusive, black-tie affair runs from 6:30 until 10:30 p.m. at McCormick Place in Chicago and benefits 19 charities, including Arlington Heights-based Clearbrook.

Featuring food and entertainment, guests will have the opportunity to stroll the show floor amid opulence not present during the public portion of the show. One lucky winner will be handed the keys to a loaded 2005 Chevrolet Corvette convertible valued at more than \$57,000.

Make a pit-stop at Clearbrook's "meet and greet" hospitality suite for additional food and beverages, as well as a complimentary coat check beginning at 5:30 p.m. Sponsorship packages are currently available and include First Look for Charity tickets, program book recognition, signage in and access to Clearbrook's hospitality suite, and tickets to the Chicago Auto Show.

Tickets are \$200 each, and can be reserved by contacting Bonnie O'Brien bobrien@clearbrook.org or 847-385-5013.

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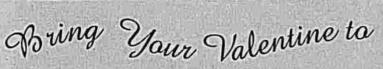
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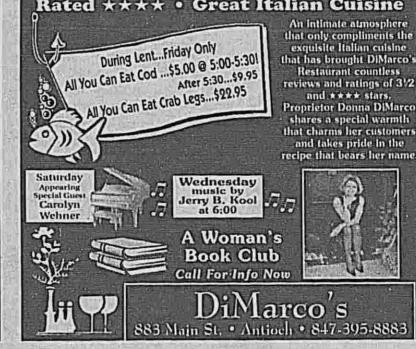
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WEDDING



Mr. & Mrs. Penich

Abigail & Michael Penich

The wedding of Abigail Leigh Johnson and Michael Joseph Penich took place Aug. 21, 2004 at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Gurnee with Deacon Michael Penich, the father of the groom, officiating the ceremony. A reception was held at the Country Squire Restaurant in Grayslake with 275 guests to help the newlyweds celebrate the occasion.

May Paclibare was the maid-of-honor with the bridesmaids: Lesley Larsen, Sarah Fielding,

Laura Hass and Amanda Riedell attending the bride.

Timothy Penich was the best man with groomsmen, Michael Losch, Jim Blockenger, Matt Bute, Jon Twitty, Jon Kyrlasiz, Mike Hartman and Sal Pelligrino.

The couple honeymooned in Hawaii and are residing in Chicago.

Tony's Paisans Ristorante in Gurnee was the place of the rehearsal dinner on Aug. 20.

Larry and Candy Johnson of Batavia are the parents of the bride. Abigail graduated from Batavia High School in 1995 and has a degree in business from Northern Illinois University. She is employed at Kraft Corp. in Glenview as a promotions manager.

Michael is the son of Michael and Mary Penich of Gurnee. He graduated from Warren Township High School in 1995 and holds a degree in business from Northern Illinois University. Michael is employed at Cumberland Consulting Group as a management consultant.

ENGAGEMENTS

Rachel Beattie & Sean Meuser

Patric (Rick) and Reva Jo Beattie of Antioch have announced the engagement of their daughter Rachel Dawn to Sean Christian Meuser, son of John and Chris Meuser of Princeville.

The future bride is a 1995 graduate of Antioch Community High School. She received a BA degree from Columbia College, Chicago in 2000. She is employed as an account executive for Konica Minolta in Mobile, Ala.

Her fiancé graduated from Princeville High School in 1992. He received a BFA from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb in 1999. He is a technical designer for Weber-Stephen Products Co. in Palatine.

The wedding will take place May 14, 2005 at St. Marks Lutheran Church in Lindenhurst with the Rev. Terry Breum officiating. The reception will follow at the Midlane Golf Resort in Wadsworth. The couple plans to settle in Des Plaines.



Rachel Beattie & Sean Meuser



Michelle Eggebrecht & Timothy Dzik

Michelle Eggebrecht & **Timothy Dzik**

The wedding of Michelle E. Eggebrecjt and Timothy M. Dzik will take place on June 25, 2005 at the Venetian Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Wayne and Hilary Eggebrecht of Port Barrington. She graduated from Wauconda High School and has a degree in early childhood education from Northern Illinois University. Michelle is a first grade teacher at the Prairie View School in Grayslake. She will obtain her Masters Degree in Administration, May 2005.

The future groom is the son of Frank and Diane Dzik of Wauconda. Timothy graduated from Fenwick College Preparatory in 1987 and holds a degree in finance from DePaul University. He is employed at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange as a manager of the Equity Complex.

WEDDING

Deb & Rick Cappello

Deb Paulick and Rick Cappello of Lindenhurst were married Dec. 3 in a Waukegan ceremony officiated by Retired Lake County Judge Al Witt. The reception was held at PJs Park Inn in Round Lake Park.

The bride is a real estate broker and trainer with Century 21 The United Group and has been in this field for 22 years. She manages the Century 21 United II office in Grayslake and trains all agents from their Grayslake, Gurnee, Waukegan and Zion

The groom graduated from the State of Arkansas Police Academy and worked with county police departments there for 6 1/2 years. He has been an Illinois Police Officer with Metra Rail for the last four years.



Mr. & Mrs. Cappello

Ceremony attendants were Deb Paulick's son, Jeff, and Rick Cappello's son, Aron.

The bride and groom each formerly lived in Kenosha, Wis. The couple now reside in Lindenhurst and will honeymoon in Orlando, Fla.



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DOG SHOW

their dogs in the shows," Cook said. "The best in show only wins about \$200. They're only competing for the affirmation that what you've been doing as a breeder is paying off."

The dog show circuit is such a strong hobby for some people it begins to take precedent over other things which may seem more important in other people's eyes. Mary Beecher, a proud owner of a Kerry Blue Terrier said caring for the dogs can be especially therapeutic.

"I really love dogs, I love to do everything with them," Beecher said. "My nursing degree just sits on the shelf gathering dust when I'm grooming my dogs. It takes about two hours of prep time during a show, but you're also working on him several times a week. It's really calming for me."

Most show participants agree the average person would benefit from attending dog shows - especially if a person is searching for a new pet. Karen Soeder, breeder and owner of 12 collies, said people are prone to making uneducated decisions when choosing a dog for a household and such decisions can lead to stray animal problems.

"It's a great place to learn about dogs and which breed would fit into a family," Soeder said. "You can learn about temperament, about the amount of care a dog might need and you can ask about what goes into taking care of one of these dogs from the people who know them the best."

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Gala to benefit Artworks programs

Museum will hold their second annual "Art Night Gala and Auction" from 5-9 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 5, at Marvela's Restaurant in Fox Lake.

"This is cetain to be a fine evening of entertainment, with everything aimed at supporting the Artworks curriculum and its community programs," said Artworks Board President Perry Lipham. "There has been a tremendous amount of planning involved with this event, and we hope to exceed last year's attendance and response."

The evening's events include a live auction of art created by local artists, a silent auction of art and collectible items that were donated by local businesses, along with live art demonstrations employing various mediums.

"We will have a harpist playing throughout the dinner hour, which was well received by patrons last year," Lipham said. "The dinner .

The Chain of Lakes Area Children's Artworks menu is outstanding with a choice of three entrees including cornish hen, prime rib, and vegetarian lasagna."

The event's master of ceremonies is a special guest, and the person's identity is being kept under wraps, adding an element of surprise to the festivities.

A laser-light program and demonstration is also scheduled.

Tickets for the event are \$50 per person, and \$350 for a table of eight people. Visa and Mastercard are accepted forms of payment, and may be used by calling 847-587-7882, or 847-201-1001.

The Chain of Lakes Area Children's Artworks Museum is a non-profit organization that offers art enrichment programs to children and adults, and is based at 130 Washington Street in Ingleside.

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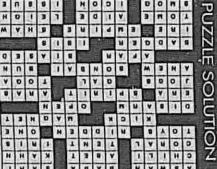
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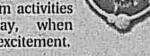




HOROSCOPE

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Does your ego need stroking, Aries? You're not bound to get any attention this week. Settle for some humdrum activities through Thursday, when something sparks excitement.



TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

No use butting heads with a family member over a topic of disagreement. Rather, sit down calmly and accept that there can be two views on the subject. Libra gets involved.

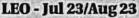


You've worked your way into a corner with an important situation at your job, Gemini. Now you'll need to be subtle about getting yourself out of trouble.

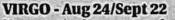


CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Moody, moody, moody. That's the theme of your week, Cancer. You can't seem to put a smile on your face, and you're keeping friends at arm's reach.



Your warmhearted nature is tested on Wednesday when a no-gooder infiltrates your tight-knit group. You take the leadership role and show that you can roar when you want to.



Your meticulous nature forces you into a cleaning marathon this week, Virgo. You're bound to tear the house apart and leave a trail of complete order in your wake.



CAPRICORN-Dec 22/Jan 20

to make amends.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Think it over first.

mess.

People love to take advantage

of your easygoing nature,

Libra. Just don't be gullible

when a financial prospect pre-

sents itself early this week.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

You've set a goal that even you

can't reach, Scorpio. Being

determined does not mean

being unrealistic. You'll have

to ask for help to get out of this

SAGITTARIUS-Nov 23/Dec 21

Your tactlessness causes a

loved one great harm,

Sagittarius. It's best if you but-

ton your lips for the remainder

of the week and think of ways

You're feeling highly creative and must put your hands to work on a new project. Others want to provide their input, but this is something you must go at alone, Capricorn.



AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

You have just figured a creative way out of a problem. Others may scoff at your solution, but you know it will work out well in the long run and forge ahead anyway.



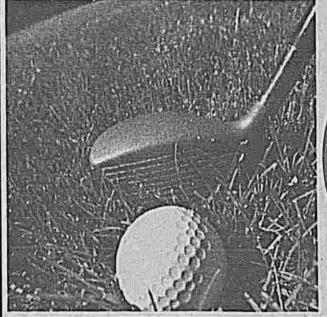
PISCES - Feb 19/Mar20

It will take a lot of motivation to get you moving early in the week, Pisces. Stop dragging your feet - good news is in



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VIEWPOINT

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Q: "What is your favorite thing about the Super Bowl?"

By Sandy Bressner and John Dickson



"The commercials."

Tina Dietmeyer Gurnee



"Halftime. The entertainment."

Lynn Karner Wadsworth



"The excitement of the Super Bowl, the build up. It is supposed to be the best teams."

Charles Kilbride Waukegan



American."

Amy Lasak Lake VIlla



"Probably the fact that it's a true playoff between the two best teams in the sport."

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son absentee voting for the Feb

Election began on Jan. 31 at

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Township, Shields Township,

Warren Township, Waukegan

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local municipal township office

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"That it is

presented on Feb. 16.

(D-59th District) said making your desires known is not difficult. "Write a letter," she said.

"The governor and all elected officials want to know what you care about, so a simple letter can send that message," she said. The governor has two addresses and mail can

the benefits are maximized and we of the available programs county-get a lot of bang for the buck," Ryg wide," Ryg said. "All the information

"The governor needs to know that the seed money from the state is matched with local

resources. For a small investment we can provide services so the kids have healthy activities to engage in and then that's cost-effec tive to the state." A study has shown that

for every dollar invested, \$3 are saved, and that does not include money saved in the juvenile criminal justice system, Rvg said.

A year ago Ryg and Mundelein Police Chief Ray Rose created the countywide After School Coalition.

"We are very excited about what we've accomplished in that year," Ryg said. "The entire leadership team has put a lot of effort into spreading the word and sharing resources and information about grant possibilities. Generally, we just build on each other's expertise."

"We have sent out a survey to all

we gather will be put on the Web site (www. Afterschoolalliance.org) so it will be very current.

"I'm so excited to be part of this and appreciate the support we've received countywide," she said. The hard work is paying off in a

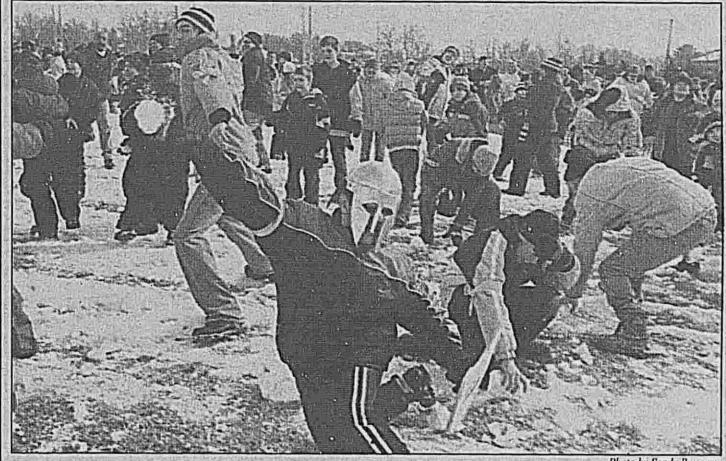
tangible way, she said. "We're really happy there's a new program that NICASA is going to offer. The Girl Scouts and Girl's and Boys Clubs are trying to get a partnership going and the Health Department recently

received a grant for outreach and educational programs.

"The Village of Mundelein formed their own After School conference and had an After School dance. That's what we hoped would happen. Those are really positive outcomes of people coming together. The businesses have also recognized how important this is," Ryg said.

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BATTLE FRONT



Kevin Skiera, 12, of Wauconda came prepared with a mask and shield as he launches a snowball during an attempt for the world's biggest snowball fight at Cook Memorial Park in Wauconda. The event was sponsored by the Lions Club.

Ryg encourages support for After School Coalition

By Ginny Skweres Staff Reporter

If keeping kids off the street and out of trouble when they're not in school is important to you, now is the time to let Gov. Rod R. Blagojevich know. He is working on the state budget and funding for after school activities is one of the line items. The budget for fiscal year 2006 will be

State Representative Kathy Ryg

be sent to either.

The Chicago office address is Governor Rod R. Blagojevich, 100 W. Randolph, Suite 16-100, Chicago IL, 60601, or Office of the Governor, 207 Statehouse, Springfield, IL, 62706.

"Investing in After School programs is money well spent because

Kathy Ryg: State Representative

Gliders find refuge in control shelter

By Kyle Schmitt

Staff Reporter

Though the prized creatures typically sell for around \$150 per animal, the sugar gliders living under Lake County Health Department custody need a good home more than ever.

The nocturnal marsupials were recently taken by authorities after a check for well being into their owner's home turned up several dead animals and many more who were uncared for.

Weighing just a pound or two, the animals eat lots of fruit and "look like flying squirrels," Piotrowski said.

They're playful and they're very social," said department spokeswoman Leslie Piotrowski. "They like human contact, apparently, but they. do have a strong odor."

The sugar gliders' rescue was a

small point of light after a search of a Lake Zurich man's home revealed two tortoises infested with maggots and a dead cat on the outside property, along with mealworms crawling across the kitchen sink.

Piotrowski said the department sees such a gruesome scene maybe twice each year, and labeled the pets' treatment as "inhumane. "It's a situation where the owner,

for whatever reason, has not been able to keep up with taking care of these pets," she said. "And so the pets are abused."

Police arrested William P. Walsh, 56, of 15 Miller Road., Lake Zurich on a misdemeanor charge of failure to provide care. He was also issued two citations by the village's Building and Zoning Department for building code violations, and left police custody on a \$1,000 personal recognizance bond.

Having run his Paws R Us pet-sit-



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Forty-eight sugar gliders, a marsupial native to Australia, now reside at the Lake County Health Department's Animal Control Shelter in Mundelein after being rescued, along with 13 cats, from a home in Lake Zurich.

ting service, Walsh would take care of residents' pets when they could attend to their needs. "It's not what

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Kirk: Trip rejuvenated interest in bin Laden capture

By Nicholas Alajakis

Staff Reporter

The hunt for terrorist kingpin Osama bin Laden have just been re-energized following a visit to Asia by U.S. Congressman Mark Kirk. Kirk (R-Highland Park) returned from visits to Afghanistan and Pakistan late last month, where he spent nearly a week hammering out new legislation to rejuvenate the hunt for bin Laden.

Kirk was the author of legislation last in late 2004 that increased the award for al-Qaida's

supposed leader from \$25 million to \$50 million. Additionally, he said he was in the area to discuss ways the search and reward system Mark Kirk: could better fit U.S.



the people of the Congressman

region. The people in the region may need extra motivation, or just education into the reward system, Kirk said.

Just before his visit, the U.S. government began running ads in newspapers detailing the award system. And they are set to launch a radio campaign as well, Kirk added. Just from the newspaper ads informants went from almost none a day, to nearly a

With the added presence of radio ads-the regions prime means of communication-the informants could increase, Kirk said.

The ads, and the premise of his visit are helping, Kirk said, because not only is it maintaining interest, but it is also giving the people of the region more information into the reward sys-

Prior to the restructuring of the way it worked, the main way to report tips was by telephone or the Internet, Kirk said. Neither of those means of communication are popular in the area. The government instead decided to set up ways to give tips in person.

It gives a young man in the region a motivation to leave his town and tell someone what he knows. And if that young man's tips lead to a capture he can become wealthy. But the government isn't only offering cash. People in rural areas may not all understand the significance of \$50 million, Kirk said. What they do understand is new farming equipment, new animals and for the young men in the region, new motorcycles.

The U.S. government has seen success with the award system

Please see KIRK / C2

Swopes named most-influential African American in county

Dr. Gloria Jean Swopes, Founder of Lions Math and Science Academy, was named the Most Influential African American of Lake County for the Year 2005 at the People's Voice Newspaper's annual gala at the Lincolnshire Marriott in Lincolnshire. Richard Roundtree best known for his role in the 70s films, "Shaft," was the keynote speaker.

Richard Roundtree spoke about the importance of early detection and health life style choices as it relates to cancer and other health challenges that are very prevalent in the African American communities. Richard Roundtree is a breast cancer survivor. The focus of The Most Influential African American Awards banquet this year was on health awareness.

The Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Awards banquet is sponsored by The People's Voice, Kraft Foods; Waukegan Savings, Consumers Cooperative Credit Union, ComEd and The Altria Group. Approximately 30 outstanding African Americans were recognized for their significant accomplishments and contributions to the community.

Among the honorees were Crystal Cartwright - Arts and Entertainment, Tannette Johnson-Elie Business, Kim E. BuckleyBusiness, Darl Drummond -Chairman's Award, Vernon Murdock - Civic Leadership, Janet Markham - Community Service, Juanita Winfrey - Civic Leadership, Warren Thomas - Community Service, Dorothy Lewis - Community Service, Marcus Burnett -

Eagle Award, Rosa Hughes - Eagle Award posthumously, Elouise Jones - Educational Leadership, Angela Warship - Education, Robert Hillery - Entrepreneurial, Cynthia Dockery - Entrepreneurial, Barbara Taylor -Vision Award, Pearl Lawson - Inspiration, Joe Wilson - Inspiration, Raymond Scott -Leadership, Delacy and Naomi Peters -Life Time Achievement, Bertine Nixon - Lifetime Achievement, Geraldine and Kenneth Stewart -Lifetime Achievement, Dr. Debbie Smart -Martin Luther King Jr. Award, Cheryl Gilliam -Martin Luther King Jr. Award, Effie Wroten -Political Leadership, Angelo Kyle - Political Leadership, Jerome and Donna Cole - Religious Leadership and Charity Awards, and Joseph Lewis - Vision Award.

The awards program is in its ninth year. This year a new category was added, the youth division. Six students from North Chicago, Waukegan and Zion areas were recognized for leadership among their peers. These students included Joshua Allen, Kevin Green, Isaiah Stokes, Tanay Abrams, Rochelle Shipley and Zackary Livingston.

The Most Influential African Americans of Lake County Awards is a program of the Soaring Eagle Community Development Corporation. The Soaring Eagle Community Development Corporation is a not-for-profit agency, which sponsors transitional housing for the homeless, college scholarships and small business development programs.

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KIRK

recently, Kirk said, Terrorist Mir Amir Kansi was captured in 2002 from information collected by an informant who collected \$2 million. And the informant who turned in Saddam Hussein's sons, Uday and Qusay, received \$30 million.

In total the government has given more than \$64 million, Kirk said.

But is it all leading closer to capturing bin Laden? Kirk says he can't say for sure. What he does know, is that three years ago bin Laden was believed to be hiding in an area of about 250 million people. Last year he was believed to be amongst three mil-

lion. And now, Kirk said it is beloved that bin Laden has been confined to an area slightly larger than Lake County of one million people on the Pakistan border.

Kirk's visit to Asia was his second in three months. In November he traveled to Iraq to spend time with troops.

An Army reservist since 1989, Kirk said that while his number one priority is to the residents he serves, he feels it is important to visit troops overseas and offer his support as well.

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GLIDERS

you would expect, definitely," conceded Lake Zurich Police Commander John Filantres, who said that Walsh asked a female acquaintance to watch his home last week when he was out of town.

The woman entered the home and filed a complaint with Lake Zurich police on Jan. 27 after seeing the animals and debris.

Upon arrival, police found the situation to be "pretty unbearable," said Filantres. "The stench that was coming out of the house, the conditions were very bad."

Representatives from the Building and Zoning Dept. were contacted, and the house was declared uninhabitable. Walsh was arrested on Jan. 29.

Upon arrival, members of Lake County Health Department Animal Control found 10 tortoises, 13 cats, a sheep dog and numerous sugar

The animals were located "in pretty poor condition," and four tortoises died soon after being confiscated," Piotrowski said. The rest of the tortoises suffered from respiratory illnesses, and three of them still have ammonia. Most of the cats suffered dehydration.

Piotrowski said Walsh must relinquish the pets to the health department, at which time the animals would be given away. An animal rescue group would receive the sugar gliders.

The police department is currently consulting with Lake County State's Attorney Michael Waller about the case, Filantres said. Walsh is scheduled to appear in circuit court on Feb. 28.

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CLC announces finalists in search for its president

The College of Lake County board of trustees will interview four finalists in February for the position of president of the college. The finalists have been selected as the result of a nationwide search process to replace outgoing President Gretchen J. Naff, who will retire on

"The board appointed a committee of college and community representatives in August to conduct the first phases of the presidential search," said Board Chairman William M. Griffin. "The committee members have done a very good job, and we are pleased to now enter what we hope will be the final phase of our presidential search."

Griffin said that the four finalists are David F. Hartleb, J.D., president of Northern Essex Community College in Haverhill, Mass.; Glen Gabert, Ph.D., president of Hudson County Community College in Jersey City, N.J.; David Sam, Ph.D., president of North Harris College in Houston, Texas; and Richard J. Pappas, Ed.D., president of Lake Michigan College in Benton

The four finalists have emerged from a field of 44 applicants. The search committee, headed by Tom Heinrich, CLC's director of human resources, selected nine candidates for initial interviews. Based on these interviews, which were held on Jan. 24 and 25, the committee selected the four finalists to recommend to the

The board of trustees will interview the four finalists in February. Campus forums also will be held for college employees and members of the community to meet the presidential candidates: The forums will be held as follows:

David F. Hartleb, J.D., Feb. 7: 9 to 10:15 a.m., Grayslake Campus, Room C005; 1:45 to 2:30 p.m., Lakeshore Campus (Waukegan), Room 119; and 3:15 to 4:30 p.m., Grayslake Campus, Room C005.

Glen Gabert, Ph.D., Feb. 9: 9 to 10:15 a.m., Grayslake Campus, Room C005; 11 to 11:45 a.m., Lakeshore Campus (Waukegan), Room 119; and 3:15 to 4:30 p.m., Grayslake Campus, Room

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Those attending the campus forums will be encouraged to complete and return a "feedback form."

Biographical information submitted by each of the candidates is available on the CLC web site at www.clcillinois.edu/presidentialsearch.

CLC board approves strategic goals

The College of Lake County board of trustees approved the college's strategic goals for Fiscal Years 2006-2008. The strategic goals learning, outreach, access and accountability guide the college's planning and budgeting

"In developing the college's budget each year, our priorities are based upon the strategic goals and objectives," said CLC President Gretchen J. Naff.

The goals, and the objectives supporting them, are developed using an environmental scanning process that involves collecting data on emerging trends and issues affecting the college and its district, Naff said. Data from local, state and federal sources, such as the Census Bureau, are considered as well as feedback from the college's citizen advisory groups and faculty and staff.

In personnel related matters, the board approved a professional leave of absence for Richard Haney, dean of business and industry services. Mr. Haney will be completing work on his doctoral dissertation at various times between February 2005 and February 2006.

Crime Stoppers wants tips on incident

On Jan. 21, a suspicious vehicle was reported in the area of Greenview and Hammond streets in Mundelein following children on their way home from the bus stop. The car drove slowly next to the children from the bus stop to their homes. The driver parked in one of the children's driveway and walked up to the side door. The driver then rang the doorbell and looked through the windows. When nobody answered the door, the driver left the area in his car.

The driver is described as a male Hispanic, approximately 25-35 years old, 5 feet, 5 inches to 5 feet, 8 inches tall, medium build, with a mustache and possibly a goatee, wearing a dark colored waist length jacket possibly with two white stripes down the sleeve, a dark baseball cap, and faded blue jeans.

His car is described as a smaller red unknown make or model vehicle with a trunk. Unknown if the vehicle was a two-door or four-door.

The safety of our community is the Mundelein Police Departments' first priority. As

always, parents need to remind their children not to talk to strangers, approach their vehicles or accept anything from them. Never let anyone in your house if you don't recognize him or her. If any suspicious subjects or vehicles are observed in your area please dial 9-1-1.

Lake County Crime Stoppers and the Mundelein Police Department would like to remind everyone to call when suspicious activity is observed and do not try to confront suspicious subjects yourself.

If you have any information about a Felony Crime or Felony Fugitive contact the Lake County Crime Stoppers at 847-622-2222. If your information leads to an arrest you could be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

For additional information regarding the Lake County Crime Stoppers-Gun Stoppers programs, call 847-662-2222, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., evenings and on weekends an automatic answering device is used to record any information that people want to leave.

AROUNDTHECOUNTY

National Black HIV/AIDS awareness, information day

Lake County Department/Community Health Center and Alexian Brothers The Harbor are collaborating on activities in observance of National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness & Information Day on Feb. 7. The day's events include free anonymous HIV testing, an informational session and an open forum. The focus of the day's events is to encourage African Americans to get educated, get tested and get involved with HIV/AIDS, as it continues to devastate black communities.

From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., the Health Department will provide free anonymous HIV testing and counseling at the Belvidere Medical Building, 2400 Belvidere Road in Waukegan, in

room 132. Walk-ins are welcome.
From 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., the Health Department will provide free anonymous HIV testing and counseling at the North Chicago Clinic, 2215 14th St in North Chicago. Walk-ins are welcome.

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Health Department and Alexian Brothers The Harbor will provide educational materials to students, faculty and community members at the College of Lake County's Grayslake Campus 19351 W. Washington Street, in the main lobby.

From 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., the Health Department will provide free anonymous HIV testing and counseling at the Zion Clinic, 1819 27th Street in Zion. Walk-ins are welcome.

The day will conclude with an open forum from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m at Catholic Charities 671 South Lewis, Waukegan. For more information contact: Lake County Health Department: 847-377-8450 or Alexian Brothers The Harbor at 847-782-8015.

Flu vaccine restrictions lifted

Lake County Health The Department/Community Health Center is offering flu shots to Lake County residents over 6 months of age. The shots will be offered from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Monday through Friday until further notice at the Health Department's Immunization Clinic, 2303 Dodge Avenue in Waukegan. No appointment is necessary.

Persons 65 and over should bring their Medicare part B cards, which will cover the cost of the flu vaccine. Those not on Medicare part B will be charged \$19.00. Credit cards will not be accepted.

Race for Hunger

Lake County Farm Bureau will host the seventh annual Food Check Out Day Race for Hunger on Feb. 7, at 9 a.m. The race is held to create awareness of Food Check Out Day, the day when the average American has earned enough money to pay for their entire year's worth of groceries. This year, the race will place Grayslake's Finest vs. Grayslake's Bravest. Police Chief Larry Herzog will go head to head with Fire Chief Don Mobley in a race around the Grayslake Piggly Wiggly at 815 Center St. Each participant will have eight minutes to fill their carts with corn, soybean, wheat, or oat products and the chief with the highest bill will be named the, winner. The real winners in this competition will be the food pantry in Avon Township and A Safe Place who will each receive the carts full of groceries from the chief. The public is welcome to observe the race too.

Rummage sale donations

LaCASA (Lake County Council Against Sexual Assault) will begin accepting donations on Saturdays only from 9 a.m.-noon, beginning March 5. Items may be dropped off at the LaCASA/Zacharias Center located at 4275 Old Grand Ave. in Gurnee. The non-profit rape crisis center will accept furniture, new and gently used clothing, toys, games, books, housewares, small working appliances, lamps, sporting goods. Items LaCASA will NOT accept are computers, printers, fax machines, large appliances and medical equipment (wheelchairs, crutches, etc.). For details, please contact LaCASA's Rummage Sale Committee at 847-244-1187, Ext. 15.

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Time to enjoy winter's wonders

espite continued global warming murmurings along with several "snowless" winters in recent years, that usually cloudy and bleak period between fall and spring has produced weather that grandma and grandpa used to describe as "old fashioned" winter. Call 2004-2005 the year winter returned to northern Illinois.

Sparked by one of the snowiest Januarys in history,
Lakeland residents have been enjoying snow and cold with
gusto—if they choose. There's been plenty of both. For small
fry the conditions for sledding and tobaggoning have been
ideal. Hardy outdoors types are chalking up a banner ice fishing season. Snowmobilers will remember the winter of '04 for
a long time. Many of them are members of Lake County's 12
snowmobile clubs, the largest concentration in the state.
Strolling snow-covered sidewalks and paths is proving to be
exhilarating fun besides being oh, so healthful.

Count the winter of 2004-05 as the year Wauconda found a place in the Guinness Book of Records with the world's biggest snowball fight, easily surpassing a hamlet in the Swiss Alps that set the record in 2003. Business leaders in Libertyville and Grayslake are capitalizing on snow and cold by staging town-wide fun days for residents and visitors. Libertyville WinterFrolic will run two days Friday and Saturday, Feb. 4 and 5. Until downtown Grayslake merchants launched WinterFest in 2002 with ice sculpting and dog sledding, chamber of commerce would touch wintertime with a 10-foot snow shovel. Now, it appears, everyone wants to turn snow flakes and freezing cold into fun. More power to them. The Grayslake WinterFest will be Saturday, Feb. 12.

A cautionary note: Enjoy winter while there's still snow on the ground and the temperatures are around the freezing mark. The season is short, really. March 1 is not far away and the new month will close the door on another winter season.

Partnering spells success for SMC

here's a reason why the Stormwater Management
Commission continues to be a singular success
among the many public agencies serving citizens of
Lake County. In short, the SMC record of respect and
success is built on partnering. Elected officials and staff providing SMC leadership simply refuse to hog the spotlight or act
in czar-like fashion.

In 2004, SMC worked with more than 100 organizations on a cooperative or collaborative basis dealing with flooding or stormwater emergencies, providing management services for local and area watersheds, floodplain studies and mapping and resource allocation.

A lot of what SMC does sound dry (no pun intended) and technical, but when flood waters start lapping at the front step, householders and taxpayers quickly appreciate what the commission is all about.

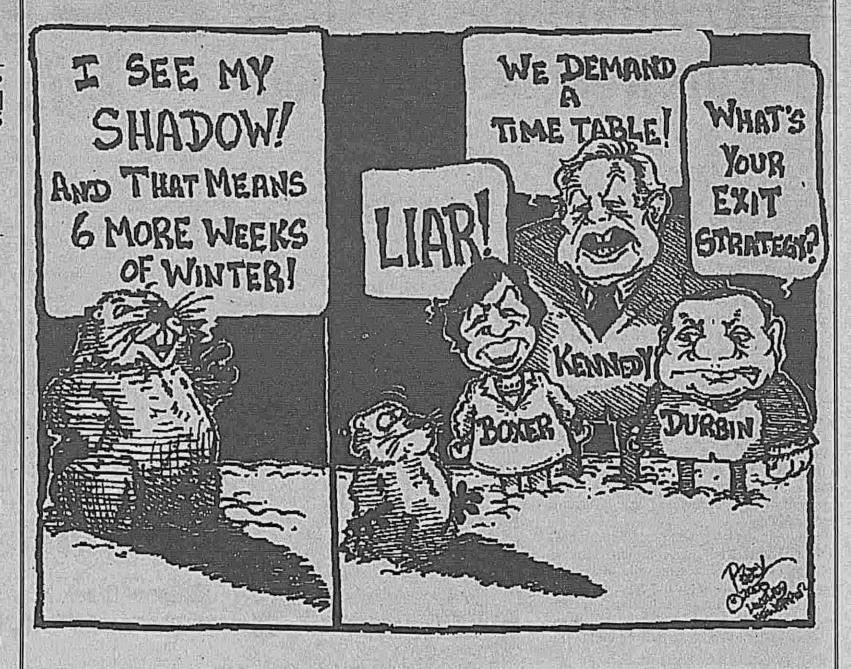
As a practical matter, SMC cannot "take over" or act in a dictatorial manner because of its funding structure. When SMC is able to exert financial muscle it is with grants, funds allocated by other units of government or local government and, yes, even with private sector funding

Currently, SMC is involved in four watershed management projects. To date, nine watershed management plans have been completed. Just about every corner of the county has been touched by the hand of SMC. Management planning involves stakeholders (individual homeowners), elected officials and staff professionals. Lake County being what it is, a lot of water and wetlands separated by sectors of dry land, there's still a lot of work to be done. Long-range planning includes 13 remaining subwatersheds.

SMC's big pay offs are bound up in natural hazard mitigation planning and drawing response to flood emergencies. It's no accident that flooding damage in recent years has been reduced, due both to mitigation measures taken and information supplied by SMC.

Since SMC deals with natural forces, its work is never done. Goals for 2005 include adoption of amendments to watershed ordinances, research into a county-wide stream maintenance program, continued monitoring of illicit discharges and updating the 2002 comprehensive Stormwater Management plan. Residents of the Lake Michigan watershed and the North Branch Watershed of the Chicago River will see dramatic evidence of SMC professionals at work.

Spring floods are on the way, providing an opportunity to understand why the Stormwater Management Commission is an important part of life in Lake County.



VIEWPOINT

'Wasteland' era only a memory

orty years ago social critics supported by demographers took delight in describing suburbia as a "cultural wasteland." No theater. Few concerts. Scattered, inadequate libraries. Gourmet dining was a dream. Fashion was off-therack ready to wear.

Those were pre-Little
League days. Soccer was
played only in foreign lands.
Movies (and drive-ins in the
summer) filled entertainment needs for all ages. The
Legion and the VFW were
major social outlets. High
school games were a sports
staple and well attended,
particularly when rivals
clashed. Backyard barbecuing hadn't yet been invented.
Either were decks or patios.

A lot has changed in the intervening years. Even the cherished white picket fences are gone, replaced by street-side garages and ornate two-story foyers. And the "cultural wasteland" rap doesn't apply anymore, not in any form.

A glance at the College of Lake County performing arts and cultural events calendar for 2005 quickly shows the light-year distance from the "wasteland" days. CLC's brochure about top-quality entertainment for the coming year quickly asks, "Why go downtown?" The glossy, glitzy publication follows . with mentions of a broad range of events, including professional concerts in music and dance, novelty acts, comedy shows, theatre. Student shows and community also will be staged for the public.

Most of the action centers around the 600-seat Mainstage Theatre in the modernistic James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts. Ticket prices are below downtown Chicago rates. Parking is free,

The new season already is well underway. Coming up in short order are the Buckingham's with a sixties tradition Sunday, Feb. 13; the Moscow Circus Friday, Feb. 25; Ladysmith Black Mambazo with South Africa sounds and gospel sentiments Friday, March 13. Then it's nine more months of classy entertainment. The frankly far-out is balanced by homegrown talent in the form of the CLC Choir, the jazz ensembles, the CLC concert band and the talented wind ensemble that deserves more attention.

Admission is free for the Shakespear's birthday celebration, April 20; poetry slams, Clnco De Mayo celebration, and Robert T. Wright Community Gallery of Art shows. To illustrate how farreaching subject matter is will be lectures on the coming Ravinia season March 8 and a discussion April 12 on whether the 1906 Cubs could defeat the 2004 Cubs? The lectures will be held at

Southlake campus.

Lake County is blessed with scores of other cultural attractions like theater groups, local symphonies, events designed specifically for senior citizens, youth groups. CLC doesn't have a corner on cultural offerings, but it certainly leads the way.

Tasteful charity

Extend high fives for owners of Café Pyrenees for organizing their second

course air at extraorrangent.

annual Wine Tasting Fundraiser scheduled for 1 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 6, at the Vernon Hills Restaurant on Rte. 60. Jean-Marc and Marie Loustaunau, and Jessica Loustaunau O'Connor once again have designated the Alpha Phi Foundation and Arden Shore Child and Family Services as recipients. Alpha Phi supports women's cardiac care; Arden Shore provides a variety of financial and therapeutic support for children and needy families. Tickets are \$25 a person. There will be hor' d oeuvres and six wines to taste. Café Pyrenees is known for casual country French dining and pastries. You can just show up or call 847-918-8850 for advance information. Donations of auction items are welcome for prizes to be given away.

Not hoggish

One thing about the Fighting Illini basketball team, they're not hoggish about the lime light. Three decades after a national championship during World War I, they electrified the nation with the Whiz Kids during World War II. Another decade went by before the Orange and Blue

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gained the final four in 1952-before there was a Final Four. The big drought on the Champaign hardwood set in before the Fly'in Illini made a real Final Four run in 1989. Now the current University of Illinois basketball team is positioned well for another Final Four and perhaps a national basketball championship. What a wonderful season it's been so far. Beside their exciting style, what's best about the 2005 Illini is an unselfishness that distinguishes them from the other top teams. They relish the pass or the dish that enables a teammate to score. They bump chests for forcing a turnover. Coach Bruce Weber has the Illini studying U of I basketball history to pave the way for success. They're just not hoggish.

One man's family

Two days short of her eighth-month birthday, Granddaughter Caroline uttered the magic words, "Da Da." First words are a joy to hear, but it's the ones that follow that give parents pause to ponder. Those little minds are wonderful things. What they concoct can be a surprise.

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Mayor eyes legacy in rehab of school

hile there are elected officials who want to get rid of old schools or school buildings with problems, retiring Libertyville Mayor **Duane Laska** is working hard to preserve the vacant World War I era Brainerd Building which housed high school classes for more than seven dacades.

Laska sees as his legacy the rejuvination of Brainerd for community use. There is opposition in some quarters, but Laska's biggest hurdle is finding a not-for-profit corporation willing to take on a \$13 million obligation for rehabbing. With funding and proper leadership, Mayor Laska sees Brainerd as an ideal center for arts, theater, social event and future park programs.

Lake Forest's famed Gorton Community Center is Laska's model for Brainerd. As a vacant, rundown former elementary school, Gorton once was regarded as a community eyesore. Now it's a show place.

Economic issues

Northbrook Mayor **Mark Damisch**, who tried to cut his first term short in an attempt to get elected to Congress from the 10th District seven years ago, is facing competition April 5 for the village post for the first time since elected in 1993. His opponent, Eugene



Laska: Saving old school tops 'to do' list for outgoing mayor



Damisch: Says voters like leadership style in Northbrook

Marks, wants the upscale village to focus more on economic development rather than residential growth. Marks heads a local manufacturing company. Damisch said a majority of voters like the way he has been leading the community.

Plowing for votes

Bill Durkin Jr. will be campaigning to keep the family name alive in Democratic politics as he seeks his second six-year term as a commissioner of the Waukegan Park District. Some of Durkin's early campaign activities were sidelined as he was pressed into snowplowing duty by the City of Waukegan where he is employed as a com-

puter specialist. His father is a former mayor of Waukegan.

Paging Oprah

Is Oprah listening? Television's champion of out-of-ordinary people and unusual stories might want to follow the campaign of William Enriquez of Ingleside for election as director of the Fox Waterway Agency. Enriquez, an environmental professional, told reporters he is running to establish a "closer relationship" with his ex-wife, Ingrid Ruttendjie, executive director of the Fox River and Chain O' Lakes water management district. Even though his reasons for running might be touching, Enriquez is regarded as a long-shot against incumbent directors Charles "Chuck" Haling and Wayne Blake, both of Antioch.

Eyes improvement

Tony Maniscalo, colorful restaurant operator who once conducted an essay contest for the public on how best to improve the Village of Gurnee, now says the best avenue to community improvement is voting incumbent Mayor Don Rudney out of office. Maniscalo has a knack for ruffling the mayor and may get a front row seat if he's elected trustee. His latest gambit bemused Rudney.

That was a charge that the mayor's use of the word "independent" for the Gurnee Independent Party headed by Rudney violates election statutes. Maybe Maniscalo scored a point or two, but the charge isn't expected to stick.

One will do

Congresswoman Melissa Bean (D-8th) has opted to provide constituent service from one office in Palatine for the district stretching from Schaumburg to Zion. Her predecessor, Phil Crane, maintained district offices in Palatine and Lake Villa for years. Congressman Mark Kirk (R-10th) also maintains a two-district office system with facilities in Deerfield and Waukegan.

Showing how to serve

Carl Deal, one of two candidates challenging Grayslake Mayor Tim Perry in the spring consolidated election, believes in putting the well-known political phrase, "serving the people," into action. To help kick off his campaign, Deal will serve as a waiter in the coming week at four different eating establishments. The candidate says he can't think of a better way of dramatizing his slogan, "Let Me Serve You."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Notice to snowmobilers: Obey the laws

stay on the marked trails. Anywhere else is trespassing unless you have the personal permission of the landowner. It could cost you between a \$75 fine and a year in jail.

Just because there is no fence does not mean that it is open land. The trails are easily identified by the orange diamond markers. A snowmobile track across a field is not a trail. Wandering off the marked trails or cutting corners could land you in a lot of trouble. The Illinois Department of Natural resources officers, county deputies, Forest Preserve and Conservation District officers along with local police officers are out there handing out tickets by the dozen. Some of their snowmobiles are marked and some are not, just like squad cars.

You can ride along roads except toll roads if you are 10 feet off of the pavement and going in the same direction as traffic. This does not allow you to go private property. Parents are responsible for what is done with the snowmobile. Youngsters between 12 and 16 may operate a snowmobile if they have gone through a state snowmobile safety class and have a state permit, If they do not have this class then an adult has to be on the same snowmobile.

If you have Illinois identification (driver's license, etc.) and operate your snowmobile in Illinois then it MUST have a current Illinois registration. The law says state of domicile. The Illinois registration decal must be on both sides of the engine cowling as shown on the certificate and you must have the registration certificate with you.

You can get information on trails by contacting your local snowmobile club or the Illinois Association of Snowmobile Clubs (815-795-2021), the Northeastern Illinois Snowmobile Clubs which covers Lake and north Cook counties (Allan Van Lounduyt 847-244-0959), the McHenry County Snowmobile Association which covers McHenry and Boone counties (Dick Arseneau 815-675-1234) or Region 5 which covers Kane, DuPage and central Cook counties, Kim Moon (847-389-9298).

You can download the complete snowmobile law from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources web site.

Sportsmen Snowmobile Club Mel Blaurock Wauconda

Developer greed

Developers come and go through Lake County with plans, statistics, and proposals. In their wake, they leave us with the all too familiar problems such as crowded schools and a requirement to provide increased civic services. Who pays for that?

A proposed condo/strip mall, in Round Lake Park, on Hainesville Road, is one developer proposal that should die a timely death. The developer proposes high-density condos with a strip mall in a neighborhood of single-family homes. This is not planned growth. This is developer greed that has no concern for negative environmental impacts on the neighborhood.

I have lived in the Round Lake/Round
Lake Park area for over 60 years. Too many
trees and too much open space have gone the
way of development. Some of that is
inevitable. However, this specific proposal can
and should be voted down by Round Lake
Park officials. It's a bad plan for the Round
Lake Park community and its neighbors.

Diana Kula Highland Lake

Tough choices

As a result of our failure to pass a school tax referendum last fall, we in Lake Villa School District 41 have learned that we're faced with some tough choices in order to stay in the black: Should we cut administrative staff and bus drivers, or teachers and programs? For me, the answer is obvious. Let's trim the areas with the least visible impact on children's education.

District 41, which has a long record of fiscal prudence, has now placed our assistant principals on the chopping block. Unfortunately, that makes sense. That these individuals are dedicated, hardworking and beloved by the children is indisputable. Ample testimony was supplied by the many parents who packed tonight's board of education meeting to emotionally plead the assistant principals' case.

But the fact remains—we lost the school referendum. Cuts must be made. We don't have the money we need to keep up with rampant development and the accompanying influx of school-age children.

That's why I think our school board is making smart choices. Consider the alternatives. Would we rather lose teachers than administrators? If so, class sizes will mushroom. Chicago classrooms with 30 or more kids are among the reasons that many families, including mine, moved here years ago.

And what about all our great District 41 special programs? Who'd want to sacrifice art, music, band or the EXCEL program? Definitely not me. Each of these programs impacts the quality of all our kids' education in direct and measurable ways. I hope that with the sensible cuts our school board has suggested, we won't have to dismantle any of these programs in its entirety.

The fact is, we can provide our children with a high-quality, well-rounded education without the assistant principals—at least for now. For evidence we need look no further than our district superintendent, Dr. Mike Anderson. Last year, when assistant superintendent Dave Rogowski took a position elsewhere, Dave was not replaced. Dr. Anderson bit the bullet and found ways to get the job done. The district may need to seek a new assistant superintendent soon, but for a long time now, we've done without. Our District 41 principals are equally as capable.

Cindy Rippa Lake Villa

Disastrous DNR Decision

For those who aren't familiar with Volo Bog, it is a unique nature preserve in northeast Illinois with the distinction of having open water and floating soils. But, its fragile ecosystem, home to many threatened and endangered species of plants and animals, is being undermined by the state agency responsible for protecting it.

The Illinois DNR in their latest budget cutbacks has decided to terminate the site's full-time personnel, and all student, family and adult programs. The site manager was fired before Christmas and the naturalist interpreter who develops educational curriculum, trains volunteers, and schedules school groups will no longer be at Volo full-time. The visitor center will be closed to the public five days a week.

How can this loss be measured? I speak only from my own experience. I am a retired Waukegan teacher and for the past six years have been a trained volunteer at Volo Bog, working with school children one day a week. How many kids? I looked through my past schedules, did the math, and came up with a total of 3,633 students. Add to that the number taught by the other naturalist volunteers and the number is 30,000 Lake, Cook, and McHenry County students who have been able to extend their classroom science studies here at Volo in an hands-on, experiential learning situation. I might add at no cost to the school systems. They also make use of the recently renovated educational center with its many interactive activities and exhibits which were specifically designed to enhance the Volo experience. The list of all the potential losses is too long.

I think the Illinois DNR needs to justify its choice of priorities. Their treatment of personnel, dedicated volunteers, children and families has been dispassionate, insensitive, and reckless. What's really important? How about preservation and people!

Billie M. Kocal Antioch

Size matters

The average third and eighth grade class sizes in Grayslake are over 30 and 26 students respectively. The National Education Association, the U.S. Department of Education, and the Carnegie Foundation, among others, recommend a ratio of 1 teacher to 15 students, Research agrees; "students attending small classes in grades K-3 outperformed their counterparts on standardized tests in grades four, six and eight; continued to outperform classmates at the high school level; took more advanced classes; were less likely to be retained a grade or drop out of high school; and were more likely to prepare for college by taking college entrance exams," according to Tennessee's Project STAR study. Common sense dictates that students who receive the individualized instruction characteristic of smaller classes will learn more.

Passing the April 5 referendum will reduce irresponsibly large class sizes. Passing this referendum will bring art, music and gym back to our youngest students. Passing this referendum will bring band and chorus back to our middle schools. Those who value basic literacy will embrace the opportunity to resume adequate education by voting "yes" on April 5.

Kristy Miller Grayslake

Beauty bulldozed

I was happy and relieved to read that Mayor Eschenbach and Trustee Carl Aronson will not seek re-election. It's too bad they were not voted out of office before the beautiful resort village of Wauconda was bulldozed into oblivion by their poor decisions.

King Eschenbach and his court, namely Dave Wanshek, Lorrie Godawa, John Amrich, Gail Wittenburg, Greg Turner, as well as former administrator, Fred Dierker, have made decisions which will forever ruin our quality of life in Wauconda.

Funded and backed by huge donations from the home building industry this group of elected officials repeatedly ignored village residents and voted in favor of one high density development after another. As a result of their poor decisions, Wauconda residents will pay dearly to live in this town.

When your taxes are so high you no longer can afford to live in your home, and when our streets are so congested that it takes 20 minutes to drive two blocks and when beautiful Bangs Lake is polluted because condos and townhomes were allowed to be built too close to its shores, thank Mayor Eschenbach, the poster child for the homebuilding industry, alone with his puppets, for all they did for our town.

S.L. Scheuing Wauconda

HEALTHWATCH

LAKE FOREST HOSPITAL

Acquaintance Rape Topic of Feb. 8 Talk at Lake Forest Hospital

In light of the growing problem of acquaintance rape on college campuses, Lake Forest Hospital will host an informative program, "Acquaintance Rape: What to do After it Happens," on Tuesday, Feb. 8, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The program will be held in the Hunter Family Center for Women's Health addition to the hospital, 660 N. Westmoreland Road.

Attorney Ben Barrett and Anne Bent, M.Ed., will lead the discussion of this very important topic and inform participants about a new available resource for college women in our area. Barrett is a partner in an Atlanta-based law firm that specializes in rape awareness and prevention.

This program is open to the public free of charge. To register, or for more information, please call (847) 535-8500.

Holistic Childbirth Class

Childbirth engages your mind, body and spirit. The holistic approach to childbirth education seeks to integrate these by providing information about your choices, exercises to prepare your body and meditations to nurture your spirit. Join us for interactive exploration of this wonderful journey!

National Stuttering Association Support Group

Provides emotional support and encouragement to people who stutter. For more information, call Brad Madsen at 847-394-9044.

Bereavement and Grief

These groups address coping with common symptoms of grief. Meets the first and third Wednesday of each month from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the Lower Level Volunteer Conference Room at Westmoreland Nursing Center, 660 N. Westmoreland Road (adjacent to Lake Forest Hospital). For more information and to register, call Hospice Partners, 800-994-9400.

CENTRE CLUB

Dive into SCUBA in

Ready to take the plunge and earn your PADI SCUBA certification in one weekend? Centre Club in Gurnee is offering SCUBA certification courses led by a certified instructor from Toucan Dive Shop of Lake Villa.

An orientation class will be held from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 8, at Centre Club in Gurnee, 1405 Hunt Club Rd. Subsequent sessions will take place Saturday, Feb. 19 and Sunday, Feb. 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fees are \$225 for Centre Club members and \$338 for non-members. Bring your swimsuit to each class.

Reservations can be made by visiting the front desk at Centre Club in Gurnee. Payment is due at registration. For more information, call Kim Albertsen at 847-990-4741.

HOSPICE OF NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS

Grief Groups & Workshops Offered

Hospice of Northeastern Illinois is offering a variety of age-appropriate grief support groups in Barrington, Palatine and McHenry. All groups are open to community and hospice families who are grieving the death of a loved one, either through illness or sudden death. Registration fee is \$10 or Hospice of

Northeastern Illinois families are free.

A Time of Transition, a group for people who are seeking support and practical ideas after the death of a spouse, will meet on Thursdays, January 6-February 10, from 1-2:30 p.m. at Church of the Holy Apostles, 5211 West Bull Valley Road, McHenry.

Adult Loss of a Parent, a support group for people who are grieving the loss of a parent, will meet on Mondays, January 10-February 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Hospice of Northeastern Illinois, 410 S. Hager Ave., Barrington.

To register for any of the grief support groups offered, called bereavement support services at 847-381-5599.





PARENT'S PLACE

Dr. Sherri Singer

Hi Dr. Singer,

We are having a problem with a teacher and we were wanting to get your opinion on this. Our son is 7 and his teacher seems to have really singled him out. She is far more likely to have a problem with him than other kids. We know this because we have talked to our friends who have kids in the same class and this has not been their experience with their child. We are very angry about it and want it to stop happening. We know our child can be a handful, but we think she should be responding evenly among the kids. G.L.

Hi G.L.,

I hope you're not insisting on a quota system for teacher responses to behavior. Even responses among kids is not always possible or appropriate in a classroom situation. Especially if there are 1 or 2 kids who are acting out more than anyone else. Since we truly do not know exactly what your child's behavior has been in the classroom, it becomes very difficult to level accusations at either teacher or child. You did mention that your child can be a handful at home. In my experience, many times, if they are acting that way at home, it is very likely that they are also doing it at school too.

The only true way to find out what is really occurring in the classroom is to do both observations and interviewing of others. An observation needs to be done by a neutral person and needs to be as unobtrusive to the classroom as possible. Since most classrooms

do not have observation rooms attached, the observer will probably need to be either in the room or in the doorway. While the doorway sounds tough, I have actually done many doorway classroom observations without ever having been noticed. Usually this is done before the child has ever seen me, so even if he or she sees me there, they still don't know who I am there to watch and why. Usually parents will give me a picture ahead of time so I know who I am looking for. I have also gotten away with doing many in-room observations. I am not introduced. I usually get there late so I can get seated quietly after class has gotten started and after a few minutes, the kids and teachers forget I am there. So, this kind of thing can and does work.

The other thing I think needs to be done is interviewing other kids in the class. Kids are tremendously honest. I would, however, recommend that the interviews take place at a time when your child has not just gotten in trouble in front of the class. This will color everyone,s views and reports. Questions should be asked at a neutral time such as recess. This does not require a long line of questions or interrogation. It simply requires a couple questions about the child's behavior and the teacher,s behavior. A pattern will usually emerge after talking with only a few kids.

The interviews coupled with the observation should give you enough information to get to the bottom of what is really occurring. With good information, you can begin to work on getting to the resolution of the problem.

This needs to not be presented as a way to 'catch' the teacher doing things. The purpose of this type of observation and interview would be to get a good reading on how these interactions are getting started and how they are getting resolved' or not getting resolved. Unfortunately, many times, it is easy for people to jump to conclusions about where the

problem is and what to do about it, when in reality, it was the exact opposite and they just didn't do enough research before reacting.

I spend most of my time talking to people about how to increase good discipline and structure and to not allow coddling of bad behavior. This teacher sounds like she may be trying to do just that, so I cannot be too quick to judge this without a lot of other information. If after that information has been gotten, you find it to be the teacher reacting too harshly or quickly, you need to get together with her and the school and work together to find a workable plan for everyone. If after that information has been gotten, it is discovered that your little handful at home is also a handful at school, I would suggest that you allow the teacher to do some good discipline with your child and I would also further suggest that you get in and learn some discipline techniques as well so you can help the behavior get better and avoid this whole problem.

Dr. Sherri Singer is a Licensed Clinical Psychologist and Childhood Behavior Specialist. She regularly works in person with many readers of this column, helping them to improve their kid,s attention, behavior, homework skills, processing skills and self-esteem. Dr. Singer's Attention, Behavior and Learning Success Program has promoted behavior and attention improvement both at home and school. To give your child better skills, please call (847) 231-5644 or (708) 962-2549.

Unlock your potential to fight cancer

People fighting cancer or those who are close to someone fighting cancer should attend a free learning opportunity scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 8 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Holiday Inn-Gurnee on Grand Ave.

The "47 Ways to Take Control of Cancer," seminar is hosted by Cancer Treatment Centers of America (CTCA), and will focus on the benefits of nutrition and patient empowerment in the battle to win the fight against cancer.

Speakers for the Cancer Fighter event will be radiation oncologist Bernard V. Eden, MD, breast cancer survivor Lynette Bisconti, and oncology nutritionist Kim Dalzell, RD, LD, Ph.D.

Eden is the Medical Director of Radiation Oncology at CTCA. He is well-versed in advanced radiation therapies such as intensity modulated radiation and high dose rate brachytherapy. When you need to make a decision on radiation therapy, technology plays a big role in your overall treatment success. You'll hear information that can help you make that decision.

Bisconti is a six-year cancer survivor, an outspoken advocate for patients taking control of their treatment path, and a member of the Cancer Fighter advisory council.

Dalzell is an oncology nutritionist with over a decade of experience in the cancer treatment field. She is the program director for holistic nutrition services at Cancer Resource Center in Gurnee. She is also the author of two books, the oncology nutrition book entitled "Challenge Cancer and Win!" and the general nutrition answer book "Give it to me Straight."

The Holiday Inn-Gurnee is located at 6161 West Grand Ave, in Gurnee Refreshments will be served. Admission is free. Anyone interested in attending the Tuesday evening seminar is asked to RSVP by calling 1-800-765-9920. Walkins are welcome.

Founded in 1988, Cancer Treatment
Centers of America (CTCA) practices patient
empowerment medicine through a network
of cancer treatment hospitals and community
oncology programs in Illinois, Oklahoma, and
Washington. The facilities provide a comprehensive, multidisciplinary path to cancer care
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OBITUARIES

Gertrude Dishneau

Age 90, a Park Ridge resident, passed away, Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2005 at Resurrection Medical Center in Chicago. She was born in Germany to Michael and Katharina [nee Wannags Wilks on Dec. 1, 1914.

Surviving are her children; Gerhard (Friedl) Schwanebeck of Germany, Armin (Karen) Mauritz of Round Lake Beach, and Ellen (John Donahue) Dishneau of Park Ridge, her grandchildren; her nieces, and nephew, all in Germany; many greatgrandchildren, and one great-greatgranddaughter. Gertrude is preceded in death by her husband Walter Dishneau, seven siblings, and aforementioned parents.

Friends of the family visited on Jan. 29, from 2-6 p.m. at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium in Grayslake. The funeral service immediately followed at 6 p.m., also at the funeral chapel. Interment was privately held.

Kay L. Waters

On Jan. 25, 2005 Kay passed at her home in North Carolina with her family by her side. She was born in Berwyn, to Joseph B. and Evelyn R. Waters and was raised in Round Lake. She is a 1969 graduate of Round Lake Senior High School. While there she participated in band, the R'Lettes and several other activities.

She is survived by her son, Christopher (Christine) Mullally of Huntersville, NC; her sister; her grandchildren and many other loving family members and dear friends. She is preceded in death by her parents, Joseph B. Waters in 1976 and Evelyn R. Waters in 2004.

A visitation was held on Jan. 31, from 3-9 p.m. at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium in Grayslake. A funeral service was held on Feb. 1, at 10 a.m. at the funeral chapel. Interment was held immediately after the service at Windridge Cemetery in Cary. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the American Cancer Society, Hospice or a fund for her grandchildren's education.

Terry Lee Rocha

Age 58, a Zion resident, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 28, 2005 at Victory Memorial Hospital in Waukegan. He was born in Mundelein to Isabel and Irene Rocha. Terry coached baseball at the Gurnee American Legion for eight years.

He is survived by his best friend and companion for 25 years, Shirley Lopez, his former wife of 17 years and mother of his children, Judy

Johnson, his children; Robert Rocha of Grayslake, Randy (Jenny) Rocha of Grayslake, and Dawn (Bob) Rocha-Laffridy of Desert Hot Springs, Calif., his grandchildren; and three sisters; his extended family including; his very special grandson and five grandchildren. His aforementioned parents, a sister, and a brother precede him in death. Friends of the family visited on Feb. 3, from 5-6:30 p.m. at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium, 410 E. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake. The memorial service immediately followed, beginning at 6:30 p.m., also at the funeral chapel.

Ronald A. Hagemann

Age 64 of Fox Lake, died Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2005 at the Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry. He was born in Chicago to Victor A. and Loretta M. (nee Seifert) Hagemann. Hagemann had been a truck driver for most of his life, but had also been employed by the Village of Fox Lake prior to his retirement.

Survivors include his brother, Richard (Rosemary) Hagemann of El Cajon, Calif.; his nephew and nieces; grandnephew and grandnieces. He is preceded in death by his parents.

A Memorial Mass was celebrated at 10 a.m., Jan. 31 at St. Bede Catholic Church in Ingleside. Memorials for the American Cancer society, 100 Tri-State International Suite 125, Lindolnshire, IL 60069 will be appreciated by the family. Interment was private. Arrangements were handled by the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home, Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake).

Wanda Lee Mallow (nee Pettigrew)

Age 77, a resident of Fox Lake for over 30 years, formerly of Palatine and Denver, Colo., died Saturday, Jan. 22, 2005 in Arlington Heights. She was born on May 7, 1927 to Charles G. and Lena (nee Holler) Pettigrew on May 7, 1927 in Ashland, Kan. She retired from Palatine National Bank as vice president, and had also been employed for the State of Illinois Credit Union and Union Bell Credit Union, both of Chicago. A member of the Fox Lake Library Board, she was also active in the library activities and was an avid reader. She was an accomplished quilter and had an article published in Quilting Magazine. She taught quilting classes and was a member of the quilting club. Golfing, swimming, and boating were other hobbies that she enjoyed along with traveling. She had hiked the Grand Canyon and had visited Japan,

China, Australia, Scotland and Ireland as well as other parts of the USA.

Survivors include; her husband, Richard C. Mallow of Fox Lake; her children, Nancy Ann (Craig) Miller of La Grange, Kenneth Richard (Kathleen) Mallow of Palatine, Paul Kevin (Sharon) Mallow of Crystal, Minn.; two brothers Lawrence Curtis (Jeanne) Pettigrew of California, Keith Glenn Pettigrew of Colorado; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents and by two sisters, Willa Lee Pettiegrew and Marilyn Pettigrew.

Memorial Services will be conducted at the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home, 12 N. Pistakee Lake Rd., Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake) one block west of Route 12-one half block north of Grand Avenue, on Saturday, Feb. 5 at 1 p.m. with Rev. Lisle Kauffman, officiating. Friends are invited to arrive at noon thorough time of services. Memorials for the Wanda Mallow Memorial Fundfor the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 651 W. Washington Blvd., Suite 400, Chicago, IL 60661 will be appreciated by the family.

Dorothy Ellen Link

Age 78 of Myrtle, SC, passed away Thursday, Jan. 6, 2005 at the Grand Strand Medical Center in Myrtle Beach, SC.

Surviving are her husband, B.J. Link; one daughter, Laura (Jeff) Allison of Gurnee; two grandchildren; and one brother. She is preceded in death by her son, Steve Link.

Funeral Service was held at noon, Jan. 28 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. Interment followed at Mount Emblem Cemetery in Elmhurst. Visitation was for one hour prior to the service on Jan. 28. Memorial contributions can be made to the Salvation Army.

Cynthia D. Mitchell (nee Delaney)

Age 58 of Lindenhurst, passed away of breast cancer, Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2005 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville.

Wife of James; mother of Catherine (Robb) Dunlap; twins Elizabeth and Megan and son, James III, USCG; and grandmother of two. She is also survived by her mother, Elizabeth Barrett Delaney of Charlotte, NC; four brothers and a sister. She is preceded in death by her father, John Joseph Delaney.

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Visitation was from 4-8 p.m.,
Jan. 28 at Kelley and Spalding
Funeral Home in Highland Park.
Funeral Service was held at 1:30

p.m., Jan. 29 at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church in Deerfield. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Celebration Books at South Park Elementary School or Cynthia Mitchell Memorial Window Fund at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church.

Belle Evenson

Age 86 of Round Lake Park, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2005 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born in Chicago, the daughter of the late William and Edna (Carlson) Frankenberg. Belle worked as a waitress at Marshall Fields for many years. She married George Evenson in 1939 and he preceded her in death on April 29, 1984.

Survivors are her five children, Robert (Mary) Evenson of Chattanooga, Tenn., Carol (Richard) Wickersheim of Round Lake Park, Linda (Bill) Yanca of Wilmot, Wis., Ed (Sue) Evenson of Libertyville and Daniel Evenson of Round Lake Park, many grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

Funeral Service was held at 11 a.m., Jan. 28 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch with visitation one hour prior. Interment was in Wilmot Cemetery in Wilmot, Wis.

Kenneth Holmberg

Age 92, a Grayslake resident since 1945, passed away Saturday, Jan. 29, 2005 at his home with his family at his side. He was born in Batavia to Neal Albert and Jennie Elizabeth (nee Petersen) Holmberg.

Ken is survived by his daughter, Barbara (Richard) Craig of Grayslake; his grandchildren; and his great-grandchildren. His wife, Violet (nee Thompson) Holmberg; two sisters and parents precede him in death.

Friends of the family visited on Jan. 31 from 4-8 p.m. at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., in Grayslake. A Funeral Service was held at 2 p.m., Feb. 1 at the Funeral Chapel. Interment followed at Highland Memorial Park in Libertyville. Memorial donations may be made to the Holy Name Retreat House of Chambers Island, P.O. Box. 23825, Green Bay, Wis., 54305-3825.

Herman O. Tietje

Age 71 of Mundelein, passed away on Friday, Jan. 28, 2005 at Lake Forest Hospital in Lake Forest. He was born in Germany, the son of the late Gertrude (nee Dawe) and Gustav Tietje. In 1958, he married Karin Huebner.

He is survived by his wife, Karin; a sister; three nieces and two nephews. He is preceded in death by a brother.

Private family service was held. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made in his memory to the American Heart Association, 7272 Greenville Ave., Dallas TX 75231. The family would like to thank Dr. Jay Alexander for the care and friendship he provided over the last 20 years. Funeral arrangements were handled by Ringa Funeral Home in Lake Villa.

Alice L. Fischer

Age 95 of Lake Villa, passed away Friday, Jan. 28, 2005 at Victory Lakes Continuing Care Center in Lindenhurst. She was born in Woodstock, the daughter of the late Anna (nee Rose) and Andrew Larsen. She was a veteran of WWII, having served in the U.S. Army-Army Nurse's Corps and attained the rank of Captain.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews, and was predeceased by her husband, Andrew, in 1996; five brothers and two sisters.

A private family service was held. Interment was at Scandinavian Cemetery in Woodstock. Memorials may be made in her memory to the favorite charity of one's choice. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Ringa Funeral Home in Lake Villa.

Arthur A. Cencula Sr.

Age 67 of Lake Villa, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2005 at the St. Therese Medical Center in Waukegan. He was born in Chicago, the son of the late Katherine and Bruno Cencula. He was the founder of Cencula and Sons Builders.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Helen; his children, Arthur Jr. (Kimberly) of Lake Villa, Michael (Deborah) of Lake Villa, Joseph of Lake Villa, John (Jodi) of Antioch and William of Lake Villa; his grand-children and his brother. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Judith and a brother.

Funeral Service began at 11:15 a.m., Feb. 2 at Ringa Funeral Home in Lake Villa, transferring to St. Peter Catholic Church in Antioch for a noon Funeral Mass. Interment was at Millburn Cemetery in Old Mill Creek. Visitation was at the funeral home on Feb. 2 from 8:30-11:15 a.m.

Margaret R. Cooley

Age 94 of La Mesa, Calif., passed away Thursday, Jan. 27, 2005 at the Country Villa of La Mesa, Calif.

Surviving are two daughters, Mary Ann Stewart (Thomas Wessen) of Mundelein and Susan (Daniel) Collins of San Diego, Calif.; 12 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; three sisters; two brothers and her daughter-in-law, Ellen Cooley of Hillsborough, Calif. She is preceded in death by her husband, Parker Cooley in 1965; a son, Les Cooley; three sisters and a brother.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11 a.m., Feb. 2 at St. Mary of Vernon Catholic Church in Indian Creek. Interment followed at Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Hillside. Visitation was from 10 a.m. until the time of mass at the church. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Sisters of Providence, St. Mary of the Woods, Terre Haute, Ind. 47801. Arrangements were handled by the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home of Libertyville.

Margaret J. Monk

Age 95 of Libertyville, passed away Thursday, Jan. 27, 2005 at the Lutheran Hillside Village in Peoria.

Surviving are two children, JoAnn Wofford of Peoria and Fred (Ruth Ann) Monk of Richton Park; six grandchildren; seven greatgrandchildren and a sister. She is preceded in death by her husband Joseph Monk, whom she married on Dec. 20, 1934 and he passed away on Feb. 4, 1981 and also by three sisters.

Funeral Service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 5 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Park and Garfield Ave., Libertyville, with Pastor Martin E. Schoell officiating. Interment will follow at Lakeside Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon until the time of service at the church. Memorial contributions can be made to either St. John's Lutheran Church or the Lutheran Hillside Village in Peoria. Arrangements were handled by the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville.

Florence C. Bean

Age 87 of Libertyville, passed away Saturday, Jan. 29, 2005 at the Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was a founding member of Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Libertyville and was secretary to the superintendent at Libertyville elementary Schools, District 70.

Surviving are her husband, Roland H. Bean, with whom she was to celebrate their 61st wedding anniversary on Feb. 10; three children, Barbara Bennett of



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Woodstock, Nancy (Jon) Huisken of Redlands, Calif. and Thomas (Krista) Bean of Grayslake; 10 grandchildren and one brother. She is preceded in death by her parents, George and Anna Chell; by her son Roland H. Bean Jr. and two sisters.

Funeral Service was held at 7 p.m., Feb. 2 at Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Libertyville with the Rev. Dr. Michael S. Barry officiating. Visitation was from 5-7 p.m., Feb. 2 at the church. Interment was at Highland Memorial Park in Libertyville. Memorial contributions can be made to the Hope Church in her memory. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville.

Norman H. Schaper

Age 79 of Libertyville, passed away suddenly, Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2005 at his home. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served in the Pacific Theatre during WWII. He was the owner of the AUL office building in Libertyville.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Barbara (nee Morrison) Schaper; two children, John (Susan) Schaper of Libertyville and Mary (Ray) Blough of Mundelein; three grandchildren and a brother. He is preceded in death by a brother.

A private family service was held on Jan. 30 with no public visitation. Interment was in Northshore Garden of memories in North Chicago. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to either the First Church of Christ, Scientist, 240 Park Pl., Libertyville, IL 60048 or Hill Top Center, 502 N. Waukegan Rd., Lake Bluff IL 60044. Arrangements were handled by the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville.

Judith Marie Bruser

Age 50 of Libertyville, passed away Friday, Jan. 28, 2005 at her home. She was also an active volunteer at Santa Maria del Popolo School in Mundelein.

She is survived by her husband of 30 years, Corey Bruser; her twin children, Stephanie and Nicholas Bruser of Libertyville; her parents, Clem and Mildred Evans of Libertyville; two sisters and a brother.

Funeral Service was held at 2 p.m., Jan. 31 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. Interment followed at Lakeside Cemetery. Visitation was from 2-6 p.m., Jan. 30. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the family as a special healing event fund has been established.

John M. Charnecki



Age 94 of Fairmont, MN, died Jan. 31, 2005 at Northern Illinois Medical Center in

McHenry. He is survived by his loving daughter, Susan (Edward) McGlade; brother of Leo, Mary Kennedy, Gertrude Blachowske and Cecilia Swanson. He is preceded in death by his loving wife, June; son Michael Sundance, parents, Ignatius and Stancey and siblings Frank, Anton,

Kay and Julia. Funeral Service was held at 10 a.m., Feb. 3 at the Kisselburg-Wauconda Funeral Home. Visitation was from 5-9 p.m., Feb. 2 at the funeral home. Interment was at the Wauconda Cemetery.

Michael, Joseph, Paul, Helen, Liz,

Norman David Britz

Age 81, of Olney, died Monday, Jan. 31, 2005 at Richland Memorial Hospital in Olney. Born Feb. 27, 1923 in Spring Grove to William and Christine Britz. On Dec. 27, 1947, he married Annabell Clark, Norman was a retired foreman for the Tuff-Kote and Louton Paint in Woodstock . He also worked several years in Olney at AMF/Roadmaster. He and his wife volunteered and served "Meals-on-Wheels" in Noble and Olney for several years.

Survivors include his wife, Annabell Britz of Olney; daughter, Letra (Wayne) Bixby of Noble; sons, Raymond (Janet) Britz of Morrison, Colo., William (Claudia) Britz of Winchester, VA., Norman Dee (Kay) Britz of N. Kansas City, MO.; sisters, Shirley Bereiter of Fox Lake and Marie Miller of Aravad, Colo; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents; three sisters and five brothers.

Funeral Service was held 10 a.m., Feb. 4 at Summers-Kistler Funeral Home'in Olney with Ministers Rollie Sarver and Ian Simpson officiating. Visitation was held from 6-8 p.m., Feb. 3. Interment was at Shields Cemetery in Rural Noble.

Mary T. Slack (nee Mauser)

Age 91 of Waukegan, died Friday, Jan. 28, 2005 at Westmorland Nursing Facility in Lake Forest. She married Joseph Slack on Aug. 15, 1938 in Waukegan and had been employed at Abbott Labs for 33 years.

She is survived by one sister, Rose Rudd of Gurnee; a sister-in-law June Mauser of Wadsworth and many other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her husband, Joseph in 1979; two brothers; two sisters and one great niece.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Feb. 1 at 10 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Church in Waukegan. Friends called at the Salata-Gurnee Funeral Home. Interment was at the Salata-Gurnee Funeral Home from 5-8 p.m., Jan. 31.

Zimri Garcia

Age 41, died Jan. 21, 2005 due to an auto accident in Orlando, Fla.

Survivors include his loving children, Anthony, Zimri Jr., Coryna, Estrella; parents, Felix Garcia of Texas and Elizabeth Garcia; grandmother, Martha Bonilla; dear friend Sherry Hanson; sisters; brother and a host of other relatives and friends.

Visitation was on Feb. 1, from 5-8 p.m. and on Feb. 2, from 9-10 a.m. at the Marsh Funeral Home in Waukegan. Funeral Service was at 10 a.m., Feb. 2, at the funeral home. Burial took place at Warren Cemetery.

Madge B. Moran

Age 98, passed away at Hospice of Dayton, Ohio on Saturday, Jan. 29, 2005. She was born in Arranmohr, Co. Donegal, Ireland.

She is survived by Agnes (Gene) Cox of Germantown, Ohio and a daughter-in-law, Maxine Moran of Gurnee, Thomas Moran of Gurnee, Todd (Cyndi) Cox of Huber Heights, Ohio and Tricia (Henry) Richardson of Columbus, Ohio; step grandchildren; several nieces and nephews from Australia, Scotland, England and Ireland. Madge is preceded in death by her parents, Michael and Grace (nee O'Donnell) Boyle; a brother and four sisters; her husband, Martin (1957) and her son, Anthony (1998) of Gurnee.

Bernice T. Clyden



Age 88, a resident of Round Lake Heights passed away Sunday, Jan. 30, 2005 at her home. She was born in Chicago to the late Francis and Marie Feid. Bernice served during WWII for the Army as a Mail Clerk.

She is survived by children Kenneth (Brenda) Clyden of Wylie, Tex., Gail (Ken) Lempa of Salem, Wis. and Judy (Rob) Beran of Wauconda; her grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren and her brother. She is preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth Clyden in 1980; her parents; and her son-in-law Ron Burchett in 1995.

A Funeral Service was held Feb. 2 at 10:30 a.m. at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd. in Grayslake. Friends of the family visited an hour prior to the service at the funeral chapel. Interment was held at Lakewood Memorial Park in Elgin at 12:15 p.m. Memorials may be made to American Veterans Associations.

Henry M. Cooke, 80 of Grayslake. Jan. 2, 2005. Arr: Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home

Floyd C. Matthews Sr., 77 of Round Lake Beach, Jan. 21, 2005. Arr. Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home

Pauline 'Polly' Helnen (nee Fritz), 101 of Fox Lake, Jan. 21, 2005. Arr. K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home, Fox Lake

Forrest O. Berg, 87 of Spring Grove, Jan. 19, 2005. Arr: Spring Grove Funeral

Krobert L. 'Bob' Gabbard, 73 of Libertyville, Jan. 18, 2005. Arr. Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, Libertyville

Janice M. Bryan, 86 of Libertyville, Jan. 19, 2005, Arr: Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, Libertyville

Jeanette J. Samec, 86 of Grayslake, Jan. 19, 2005. Arr: Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., Grayslake

Albert J. Fox,83 of Grayslake, Jan. 21. 2005. Arr: Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, Libertyville

Christopher J. Davellis, 46 of Libertyville. Jan. 19, 2005. Arr: Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, Libertyville

Paul A. Snyder 94 of Vernon Hills, Jan. 21, 2005, Arr. Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, Libertyville

Gloria L. Carricic, 83 of Antioch. Jan. 21, 2005. Arr: Strang Funeral Home of Antioch

Linda L. Gillespie, 57 of Waukegan. Jan. 21, 2005. Arr: Marsh Funeral Home ofWaukegan

Veronica Calamia, 95 of Waukegan. Jan. 21, 2005. Arr: Marsh Funeral Home ofWaukegan

Kelsie Leigh Foss, 4 of Gurnee. Jan. 19, 2005. Arr: Salata-Gumee Funeral Home

Nemencia Rangel, 68 of Waukegan. Jan. 23, 2005. Arr. Peterson and Patch Funeral Home, Waukegan

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By taking immediate action and following these guidelines, you can minimize the damage fraudsters can cause.

Credit and debit cards remain one of why it is so important to monitor your credit history by frequently requesting credit reports on yourself so you can look out for suspicious activity.

And acting quickly when you do find out you've been victimized can help shut down an identity thief and prevent further damage to your credit history.

If you believe you are the victim of payment card fraud, MasterCard recommends taking the following steps:

1. Report suspected fraudulent activity to your financial institution and the police. If you believe you are the victim of identity theft, call the Federal Trade Commission at 877-438-4338. If your Social Security number has been stolen, you should contact the Social Security Administration.

2. Diligently check payment card and bank statements in the following months to make sure the problem has been completely resolved.

3. You may also want to contact the three national credit bureaus to let them know that you were a victim of fraud. You can ask that they place a "Fraud Alert" on your file, which lets banks and merchants know that there is suspected fraudulent activity on your account. You can request copies of your credit report, which you should review carefully, from any of the following credit bureaus.

 Equifax: Call (800)-525-6285 and write P.O. Box 740241, Atlanta, GA 30374-

 Experian: Call (888)-397-3742 and write P.O. Box 949, Allen TX 75013-0949

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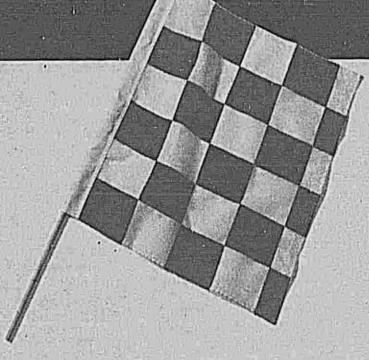
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Chamber expo coming

The Fox Lake Area Chamber of Commerce 2005 Family and Business Expo will be on March 5 at Grant Community High School, 285 E. Grand Ave, Fox Lake, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The Expo highlights area businesses and home businesses. There will be food, entertainment, networking opportunities and more.

Expo booths are 10-by-10-feet with a cloth curtain, side curtains, skirted table and 2 chairs. Electric is available for a small fee. Booths are still available for purchase.

Visit www.discoverfoxlake.com and click on expo to see an updated list of available booths and prices. Or, call the Fox Lake Chamber of Commerce at 847-587-7474 between the hours of 9 a.m.-3 p.m., to reserve your booth

Get Checking Program

Get Checking, a program designed for people who have never had a bank account and those who have had trouble with their bank account, announces classes in

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The six-hour class is available in two three hour sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 8 and 9 from 6-9 p.m., at the Habitat for Humanity office, 315 N. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. in Waukegan.

Pre-registration and a fee of \$20 for individuals and \$30 for couples is required. To register for a class in English call 847-623-1020. For a class in Spanish call 847-263-

Participating financial institutions include: Bank of Waukegan, Baxter Credit Union, First Midwest, Guaranty Bank, Harris Bank, National City, North Shore Trust and Savings, TCF and Waukegan Savings and Loan SB.

The Green Oaks, Libertyville, Mundelein, Vernon Hills (GLMV) Chamber of Commerce seeks exhibitors to participate in its 2005 Home Improvement Show. The show will take place Saturday and Sunday, March 5 and 6 at the Libertyville Sports Complex, corner of Route 45 and 137 in Libertyville.

The Home Show will offer a variety of booths showcasing the latest in interior and exterior home improvement products, services and resources, such as design, home repair and remodeling, decks and room additions, decorating, carpet and floor covering, heating and air conditioning, security, windows and doors, landscaping, spas, financing and more. Booth spaces are 8 by 10 feet with skirted table, chairs and rod and drape. Cost is \$545 for members; \$745 for nonmembers.

The show also will feature raffle prizes, giveaways and more. Each year, several thousand residents visit the show. The show is sponsored by the Daily Herald, Pioneer Press, The Advertiser, Lakeland Newspapers, News Sun, and WKRS/WXLC radio.

The show is open to the public from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. both days. Admission is free and there is ample parking. For more information, call the GLMV Chamber at 847-680-0750 or visit www.glmvchamber.org.

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Local attorney named to Best Lawyers

By Kyle Schmitt

Staff Reporter

A Lake County attorney recently won recognition not just for competing with the best lawyers in Chicago, but those throughout the U.S.

Patrick A. Salvi, managing partner of the Waukegan-based Salvi, Schostok & Pritchard P.C. personal injury firm, has been named as one of and will be recognized in "The Best Lawyers in America." The biennial publication is a highly regarded referral guide to the legal profession.

After Salvi received a nomination for the honor, his fellow attorneys and judges familiar with his work were questioned regarding his abilities and character. He also submitted information on his jury trial record and level and size of settlements won.

More than 350,000 evaluations were

reviewed, and Salvi received a selection for Personal Injury Law. Having practiced in Waukegan since 1982, Salvi said he felt "honored and humbled" to receive the honor for the first

"It represents a real pinnacle for any lawyer's career, because it's a reflection of the feelings of your peers and judges, and represents a very worthwhile recognition of your Patrick A. Salvi accomplishments," he said.

His law firm hovers near the top of the Chicago Lawyer Magazine's

Annual Settlement Survey, competing against the best lawyers in the state. The firm has won 100 separate verdicts of settlements of \$1 million or more in personal injury and wrongful death

Most of those attorneys work for firms based in Chicago, and Salvi said he has worked to count-



er the perception that his practice cannot contend with the city's firms.

A "natural bias" exists for city and suburban residents who hesitate to seek legal help from outside the immediate Chicago area, Salvi said. "It would be difficult to convince them that a law firm in Waukegan, way up north, would make sense for them."

This honor would give comfort to clients who live in and outside the county that they retained the right legal services. "We like to think our law firm has, to some extent, dispelled that," Salvi

said of the bias.

To contact the Law Firm of Salvi, Schostok & Pritchard P.C., call 847-229-1227 or visit www.salvilaw.com.

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Edward Jones hosts satellite broadcast: 'The Future of Social Security'

Cathy Donohoe, the Edward Jones investment representative in Grayslake, will host a free one-hour satellite broadcast titled "The Future of Social Security" at 10:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 8 at 1110 E. Washington St.

NEWBUSINESSES

Assumed business names

The Park Barber Shop, 226 E. Main St., Round Lake Park, 847-546-2030. Owner: Michele L. Shegonee. Purpose: Barber Shop.

"Morning Light" Alarm Clock Radio, 25950 W. Shandon Dr., Ingleside, 847-587-7914. Owner: Gary A. Rosentreter. Purpose: Marketing

Ranger Remodeling, 378 N. Overlook Trail, P.O. Box 1045, Round Lake, 847-740-8016. Owner: James Ranger. Purpose: Home

Quality Insulation, 520 Linden Dr., Round Lake, 847-740-3631, Owner: Martin Hurtado. Purpose: Insulation.

Terrabyte Computer Services, 393 Center St., Grayslake, 847-902, 5780. Owner: Randolph E. Wright. Purpose: Computer

The Racquet Man, 261 Carters Grove Ct., Grayslake 847-548-6064. Owner: Marc Campanile. Purpose: Racquet stringing and customization services.

IAAP meeting

Join the Lake County Chapter of IAAP on Feb. 8, at Weekenders USA, 1011 Woodlands Parkway, in Vernon Hills. Special guest speakers for the evening will be Bridgett O'Connell and Jodi Schulman of Ajilon Office presenting ideas for Reducing Stress. If you are an Administrative Assistant, Office Manager, or other office support specialist you are welcome to attend. A great opportunity for networking and learning.

The evening begins with a light dinner at 6 p.m. followed by guest speakers and chapter business. Meeting costs are \$10 for members and \$15 for nonmembers. RSVP to Fran Puchli at 847-535-2034 or fran_puchli@grainger.com by Feb. 4.

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Social Security and the clamor to reform Donohoe at 847-543-1537. If you are unable to attend, additional viewing opportunities are available.

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Rosen Suzuki opens in Lake Villa

American Suzuki Motor Corporation and Rosen Automotive Group will be hosting an event on Feb. 8 to dedicate the all new Rosen Suzuki dealership as part of a nationwide network of next-generation Suzuki automobile dealership facilities.

Rosen Suzuki in Lake Villa becomes Rosen Automotive Group's ninth dealership location in Lake County and southeastern Wisconsin. With 4,000-square-foot of showroom, spacious customer parking, and a state-of-the-art vehicle service and customization department, Rosen Suzuki is designed to fulfill every customer need throughout their car buying and ownership experience. It is part of American Suzuki's \$230 Million Suzuki Square retail image program, which is the cornerstone of the automaker's aggressive plan to triple U.S. sales by 2007.

"We're excited to become the newest Suzuki Square dealer in the U.S.," said Rosen Suzuki owner Saul Rosen. The Suzuki Square design makes Rosen Suzuki striking and inviting - yet unique to the Lake Villa community.

"We expect it to attract record numbers" of value-seeking car and SUV shoppers,"

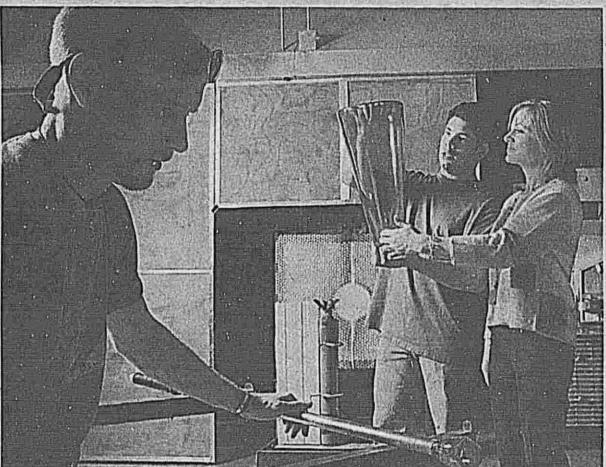
added Rosen Suzuki General Manager Bob Tarello.

Located at 875 E. Grand Avenue in Lake Villa, adjacent to Rosen's Mazda dealership, Rosen Suzuki is designed to attract potential car buyers with a unique, stress-free shopper-friendly environment. The new dealership features an open-air marketplace with bold visual styling, including themed interior and exterior displays showing how Suzuki vehicles fit into U.S. consumer lifestyles.

Suzuki is working with retail image consultant Miller Zell to customize a Suzuki Square environment for each dealer location. Design highlights include customer-friendly floor plans emphasizing smooth operational flow and unobstructed visibility of all key dealership areas; bold colors and graphics encompassing the automaker's famous logo and identifying "s"; clean, uncluttered lines; extensive use of glass; efficient modular configurations for easy implementation; and interior and exterior lifestyle displays designed to make Suzuki vehicles relevant to car buyers.

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Tutoring business opens new Libertyville location

Discovery Learning Institute opened its doors in Libertyville this week at 862 South Milwaukee Avenue in Cambridge Plaza. Discovery offers tutoring in reading, phonics, writing, math, study skills, ACT prep, and more. The public is invited to an open house on Feb. 5, from 10 a.m. to

Discovery Learning Institute is independently owned by Rob and Olivia Maple. Both have advanced degrees and a combined 40 years experience teaching and developing children and adults. "Our strong desire to make a difference in our community and our commitment to developing others has led us to open this second location of Discovery Learning Institute," Olivia Maple said. The first location is in Hawthorn Woods and has to the open house, please call Discovery serviced nearly 200 families since opening Learning Institute at 847-573-9669.

Discovery Learning Institute offers one-on-one tutoring, as well as three-onone sessions, to meet the individual needs of each student. Students are carefully placed with certified teachers based on the student's needs and the teacher's expert-

In addition to tutoring, Discovery Learning Institute offers Interactive Metronome, a computer based technology designed to improve timing, focus, and concentration. IM training, for both children and adults, is used to enhance academic and athletic performance, as well as aid in a range of cognitive difficulties, coordination, and attention deficit issues.

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Stittgens post \$25 million in sales

Real estate pros Gary and Nely Stittgen just posted \$25 million career sales in only four years. Known as Team Stittgen at Century 21 United in Gurnee, the couple sells single-family homes, condominiums and multi-family properties in central Lake County, focusing on Gurnee, Grayslake, Lindenhurst and Mundelein.

For 2004, Team Stittgen ranked No. 1 among all Century 21 teams in Lake County. Gary and Nely Stittgen also won Century 21 International Quality Service Awards for 2002 and 2003 for delivering exceptional service on confidential cus-

tomer surveys.

Gary Stittgen has four years of residential real estate experience and is a Certified New Homes Specialists and Certified e-Pro agent. Nely Stittgen has two years experience, is licensed in Illinois and Wisconsin, and speaks fluent Spanish and English. They live in Lindenhurst, are based at Century 21 United, 7500 W. Grand in Gurnee and can be reached at 847-265-1121.

Century 21 The United Group is a leading residential real estate firm with seven offices in Waukegan, Zion, Gurnee, Grayslake, Wheaton and West Chicago. Together, they have 125 agents and sell 1,600 homes valued at \$275 million annually. With their affiliated company (Century 21 Sussex & Reilly in Chicago), they're the largest Century 21 firm in Illinois and 15th largest in America.

Waukegan Savings and Loan SB financial advisor joins staff

U. Scott Smith has joined the staff of Waukegan Savings and Loan SB as a Financial Advisor in the investment area. Scott has experience in the financial services marketplace, having worked with UBS Paine Weber and two large regional banks, Fifth Third and Bank One.

Scott is a graduate of the University of Illinois in Champaign and holds a Bachelor of Science degree. He is single and resides in Libertyville.

His office is located at the Main Bank, 1324 Golf Rd., in Waukegan. If you would like to make an appointment, he can be reached at 847-596-4434.

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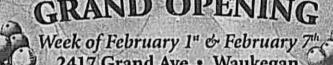
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KAELA MUNSTER GRANT

With her team needing a win to remain in the driver's seat in the NSC Prairie division, Grant junior guard Kaela Münster scored a game-high 19 points in a 54-48 win over North Chicago. She also led Grant with 14 points in a 43-29 win over Huntley.



BEMBRY WARREN

With his team clinging to a narrow second-quarter lead, Warren junior Marvin Bembry exploded for 18 points in the second and third quarters on his way to a season-high 25 points in the Devils' 58-41 win over Antioch.

GAME OF THE WEEK





BOYS' BASKETBALL

In a game that could prove decisive in the Central Suburban South race, Waukegan travels to Glenbrook South for a Saturday matinee. Originally scheduled for Friday night, the game was moved to Saturday at 2 p.m. and will be televised on WITW Channel 11.

Lakeland Newspapers Sports Editor Rob Backus's rankings of area high school teams

BASKETBALL

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- 4. Johnsburg 5. Zion-Benton 6. Stevenson 7. Grayslake

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MARVIN

utz, Axel, Salchow-three sports terms no one seems to recognize until a four-year cycle kicks in and becomes a point of obsession. The cycle is the Olympics and the obsession is figure skat-

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

For some, like Lake County resident Megan Hyatt, the obsession is every day as she turns in countless hours to perfect her moves. If last month's State Farm U.S. Figure Skating Championships can be used as any indication, perfection might not be so far away for

Megan as she

placed second in the

Novice Ladies Division.

At only 14 years old, Megan possesses many skills most people don't even think about until they enter the working world. Time management is precious within Megan's world with practice and exercises six days a week in addition to her duties at Lakes Community High School. For Megan, school time is also in-transit time as she has learned to multitask with what little extra space in her day she has.

"Most of my homework is done in the car traveling from the rink and going to workouts," Megan said. "I've learned to use my time wisely because I know I don't have much extra time to goof off. Saturdays are my only day off and I relax and go be with my friends."

'Placing at Nationals has really motivated me because I want to go back there again. It was a great experience and I had a lot of fun.'

> Megan Hyatt 14-year old figure skater

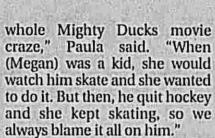
Megan is one to downplay her workload and speak of it as just another part of life, but her parents, Paula and Chuck Hyatt, are more willing to acknowledge the burden of figure skating.

"We're very proud of her because what she does is very difficult," Paula said. "Just getting up with her at 5:30 in the morning and then going to strength training in the afternoon and doing it day in and day out for six days in a week is amazing."

Local figure skater making meteoric rise

The countless hours spent in the gym can be traced back to a simple point of origin and her older brother's shortlived obsession with hockey and a certain Disney hit.

"My son when he was four, he wanted to play hockey after the



For Megan's parents, the sheer dedication she has displayed over the years is a point of pride. Regardless of the number of competitions she wins or

trophies she brings hope from competition, the emphasis remains with her ability to work for the Hyatt family. "She's

worked hard for this and I'm more proud of her for work-

Photo by Sandy Bressner

Lakes Community High School freshman Megan Hyatt of Lindenhurst works with one of her coaches, Denise Meyers, during an early morning practice at Rink Side Sports in Gurnee.

hard than for any other individual award," Chuck said, "Every day, it's just constant for six days a week and then there's school, it just makes you proud to see her just work so hard."

Olympic competition seems to be only a small blip on Megan's radar. As she spoke about her enjoyment of the competition, it actually took some jostling from her father to even speak about the possibility of going to the Olympic

"I just enjoy it, it becomes more fun every year, with the traveling and competing, and I want to keep doing it," Megan sald. "I'm going over to Europe in April for a competition and I want to skate well at competitions and make it to nationals. In March, I'm going to Colorado for (Olympic) testing and I'm looking forward to new things. I just want to keep in the present."

Megan's one-step-at-a-time approach doesn't mean she can't have her eyes on the prize. In fact, it's the winning part of the equation that motivates the young athlete.

"The achievement motivates me," Megan said. "Placing at Nationals has really motivated me because I want to go back there again. It was a great experience and I had a lot of fun."

Winning is important, but enjoyment stands as the Holy Grail in her endeavors. According to Chuck, Megan's emphasis has long been on fulfillment of skating in front of

"I remember when she came off the ice at nationals and there was a little controversy on the scoring and she was in fifth place and I thought she got gypped," Chuck said, "Then she said, 'I don't care, I had fun,' and that sort of attitude of just wanting to have fun is good."

In the end, the young Megan's biggest asset remains her determination to keep working at her sport and her ability to work on her own creed without worrying about others.

"That's the thing about her, she has good days and bad days, but she's driven and she likes to do her best," Paula said. "Her best might not be good on every day, but she's going to do her best for that day. When she doesn't have a good day, there's another day. It's easy to keep going back when you've done

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Skyhawks running away from pag

Johnsburg now 16-2 and looking for more

By Steve Peterson

Sports Reporter

ohnsburg High School Skyhawks sports fans are well aware of Chris Leathers' talents on the football field and the bas-.ketball court.

But neither is where the senior had his start in athletics.

"I did not start to play football until my eighth grade year. I had been playing soccer. The football coach came to see me in a soccer game," Leathers said.

Leathers, a 6-0 senior guard, scored 17 points as Johnsburg (16-2) made a statement in the Big Northern East Division race with a 55-42 win over Burlington Central. Junior Brent Blackowicz tallied 16 points.

"Our defense is improving. Each game it is getting better and better," Leathers said. "Coach (Ed Sennett) is a real cool guy. He might yell at us in practice, but that is so it can be easy in the game.

"Leathers looks pretty good," said Coach Ed Sennett. "Our offense was struggling because they were putting a lot of emphasis on Hetterman. They put two guys in the middle. Hetterman still got there, but he just missed some shots. We have some kids who can pick up the slack and they have the athletic ability to do that."

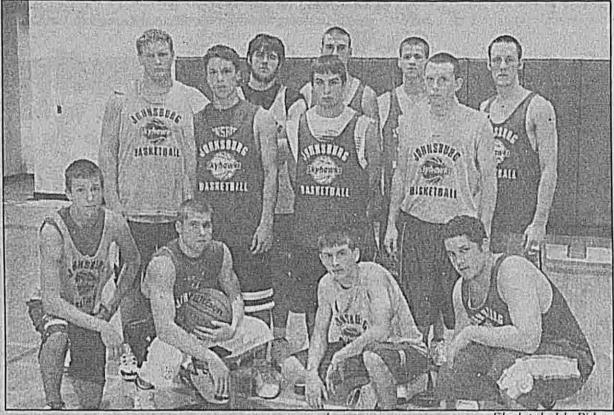
The seniors would like nothing better than to go out with a run deep into the tournament. The group includes the talent of senior Jon Evanson, last-second shot hero Chad Hetterman, as well as junior sharp shooter Dan Oziminski and 6-8 Kyle Fiedorowicz. The seniors will be honored on Senior Night, at home, Feb. 15 against Richmond-Burton.

The Skyhawks, while the fans' intensity grows with every February game, knows they have work to do still.

"This was a big win for us. We are 3-0 and everyone else has one loss. If we don't stub our toes, no one else can catch us. It was a nice, important win, but I thought we could have played better," Sennett said. "They did a couple things different to our defense. They put No. 34 (Chris Parks) at the corner, we thought they would put him in the high post. We were concerned with him. Our defense was pretty

Oziminski's three-point shooting was on display in a 17-point effort in a 64-30 win over Round Lake. A 25-3 start settled the matter early, Evanson had 10, Fiedorowicz had 9 and junior Brad Talbot eight.

Johnsburg topped Marian Central in the same fashion with a 15-point lead after one.



The Johnsburg High boys basketball team. The Skyhawks currently have a 16-2 record and are running away with the Big Northern Red division.

The Skyhawks won 64-56, holding off a surging Marian team. Hetterman scored 25 points and Brian Wagner, a junior, also had a strong game.

after battling Marengo. They must also make up two games and have a second Lake County clash, with Grant, away, to close the regular The Skyhawks are at Hampshire Feb. 5 season on Feb. 25.

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well. Up until this year, she's done okay. This year she kind of broke out and had a really good year."

For a sport considered so elegant and worldly, one thing is for certain - it's not cheap. For this year, Paula predicted a running cost of about \$30,000-\$40,000 per year at Megan's current skill level. However, both parents said cost is no object as long as Megan wants to

"Other than family members helping out

and giving donations, we've done it financially almost by ourselves," Paula said. "Most people think we're crazy we're paying almost for a college education every year, and I never thought I'd be doing this when she was 14."

Self-motivation comes in spades for the young athlete as neither of her parents have any ties to figure skating. In fact, Chuck actually grew up in Florida and didn't even know how to ice skate, for Megan, it's all about her needs.

"Never once have I had to tell her to go to bed or get out of bed, all my wife has to do is click the lights on and she never complains about the hours," Chuck said. "If you don't like what you're doing, you're never going to be successful at it and she really likes skating."

At the end of her career, her parents believe Megan will be able to look back and realize the skills she has gained off the ice. Determination is the name of the game for athletes at Megan's caliber, and Chuck said such skill will help her no matter what she will

"You know, anyone can do without new cars and stuff and it's just worth every penny,"

Chuck said. "You couldn't get this kind of education at any college. Whether she goes anywhere, the discipline you learn is invaluable."

Her parents might be united in the goal of teaching her valuable life lessons through her figure skating, but Megan's own reasoning is far more primal - Megan enjoys the adrenaline rush of flying through the air.

"Skating is a lot of fun for me and I've just really enjoyed it over the years," Megan said. "I've been skating for a long time and it's just a lot of fun for me. I like learning new things and landing jumps. I just love to jump."

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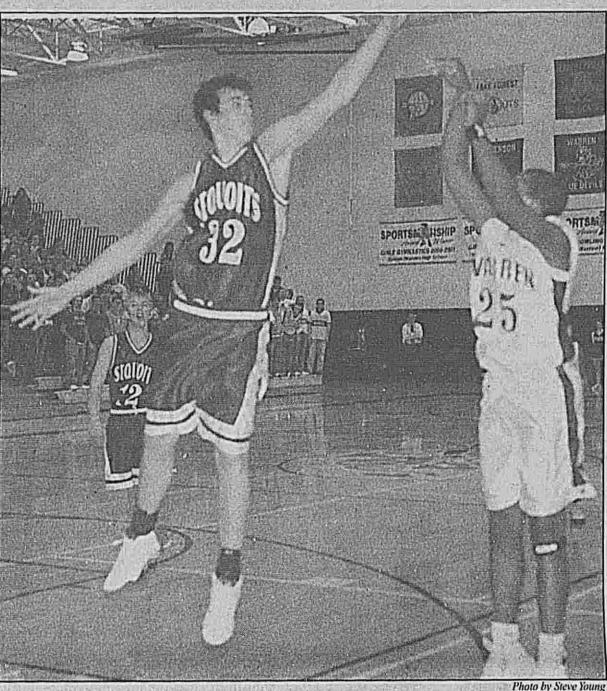
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> **Don Zeman** Antioch girls' basketball coach





Turnovers cost Sequoits in loss



Antioch Community High School's Chuck Kempf Jumps out at Warren's Marcus Lewis In a 68-51 loss to the Devils last Friday.

By Reb Backus

Sports Editor

eading into last Friday's match-up against Warren, Antioch coach Tom Duffy felt his team had a chance as long as they didn't commit "a million turnovers."

While the Sequoits didn't commit quite that many turnovers, they did have 16, which proved decisive in a 58-41 loss to the Devils.

"If we could have kept the turnovers down, especially in the second quarter, we could have kept the game closer," Duffy said.

Chandler Kent did his best to keep the game close early, scoring six first-quarter points. A baseline jumper from Kent, who finished with 11 points, with 2:23 left in the opening quarter, cut Warren's lead to 13-8. A pair of free throws from Sean Hertz cut the lead even further as the Sequoits trailed just 16-12 heading into the second quarter.

After Jon Heneghan opened the second stanza for Warren with a three-pointer, Hertz (team-high 16 points) came right back down the floor and nailed one of his own to trim the lead back down to four. However, Warren, thanks to the hot shooting of Marvin Bembry, went on a 21-8 run to take a 41-23 lead.

"Sean and Chandler were keeping us in the game," Duffy said. "Without them we would have been in big trouble."

Bembry, who finished with a game-high 25 points, continued his hot shooting in the third quarter, helping balloon the Warren lead to 48-28 with 5:21 left in the quarter.

The Sequoits were able to shrink the lead to 12 on two separate occasions, but never got any closer.

"Our effort when we were cutting the lead was great," Duffy said. "I just need them to keep playing that way all the time. Still, we could have given up and lost by 40 but we didn't."

Up next for Antioch (4-15, 1-5 NSC Lake) is an NSC crossover match-up at Vernon Hills Feb. 5. Tip-off is slated for 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

After struggling to even reach 40 points

"That was the most points we've scored in my five years here," Antioch coach Don Zeman said. "We didn't like giving up 65 points, but when you score as quickly as we

did, you're going to play more defense."

The Sequoits shot 48 percent from the field, also a season high, while holding Libertyville to just 32 percent. The difference down the stretch came at the free-throw line, with Loren Scarbrough (17 points) and Ashley Fain (team-high 18 points) combining to make 11 of 12 shots from the charity stripe in the final eight minutes. Antioch made 24 of 34 foul shots in the game.

"When you shoot the way we did and get to the line, it makes quite a difference," Zeman

Angie Axton (12 points, 8 rebounds), Holly Roberts (12 points) and Gina Florian (9 points, 7 assists) also had solid games for Antioch, which improved to 7-16 overall and 1-7 in the NSC Lake division with the win. Samie Balmes had a game-high 27 points to pace Libertyville.

"It sure felt good to get that first Lake win," Zeman said. "We played them tough at home in December, but we couldn't make that offensive run we needed. This time we got the run and they didn't."

Free-throw shooting was also the difference in Antioch's last game, unfortunately to the Sequoits' detriment, in a 32-29 nonconference loss to McHenry last Thursday. Antioch shot just 1 of 4 from the line, while the Warriors connected on 7 of 15 foul shots.

"We felt like we should have won the game," Zeman said. "It was a superior defensive effort. We just couldn't get some crucial scores down the stretch and they did."

Florian was the lone Antioch player in double figures with 10 points.

Up next for the Sequoits is a pair of home contests against two of the NSC Lake's best, Mundelein and Warren, on Feb. 4 and 5,

respectively. "It will be a tough pair of games, but for-tunately both are at home," Zeman said. "While we're pleased with the progress we've been making the last few weeks, it will be interesting to see if it withstands the tough competition these two teams pres-

BOYS BASKETBALL

On Feb. 18, Antioch will recognize the 1975 boys basketball team on its 30th anniversary of setting the now-defunct Northwest Suburban Conference record for consecutive wins. There will be a reception for the team in the ACHS commons beginning at 6 p.m.

At the conclusion of the sophomore game against Mundelein, the team will be introduced in the north gym. For more information, contact Antioch athletic director Steve Schoenfelder at 847-838-7630.

throughout much of the season, Antioch exploded for a season-high 72 points Saturday in a 72-65 win over Libertyville.

Mike Ruggles

ith Antioch desperately clinging to a two-point lead in the third quarter against Lake Forest two weeks ago, the Sequoits were badly in need of a momentum shift.

And junior forward Mike Ruggles was about to provide one. Even though he was seemingly out of the play, Ruggles raced down the floor and took a charge. Antioch got the ball back and, with the change in momentum, went on to defeat the Scouts 53-48 for the team's first NSC Lake division win of the season.

"We really needed the ball back," Ruggles said. "I just decided to take

one for the team."

"That was the turning point of the game," Antioch coach Tom Duffy said.
"But that's Mike; that's his game."

Indeed, Ruggles has turned into quite a contributor for the Sequoits,

simply by doing the "little things," according to Duffy.

"He does all of the dirty jobs," Duffy said. "He's a rebounder, a screener and he takes charges. No one wants to do them but they need to be done."

Although Ruggles' role on Antioch won't show up too often on a stat sheet, he is rewarded for his work.

'For every charge a player takes, they don't have to run sprints after practice," Duffy said. "So Mike was able to save himself from running."

While Ruggles continues to take charges on the floor, he's beginning to take charge off it as well.

take charge off it as well.

"Mike's really starting to become a leader for us," Duffy said.

"Coach told me that the guys need me to help them," Ruggles said. "And he told me that I'm a good enough player for them to listen to me, which

really helped my confidence.
"And that's what I try to bring to the team. I bring some energy and some excitement and I try to get the players ready for the game and try to build their confidence."-By Rob Backus



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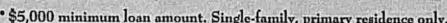
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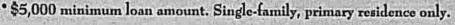
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't was probably our best half of the year. To shoot 60-percent from the field is great. We were executing our half court offense and hitting our shots. It was really a good game for us."

> **John Ryan** Carmel girls' basketball coach



Corsairs continue to roll, now 19-4

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

hen it rains, it pours. Sometimes even the most tired of clichés are also the most fitting, and for the Carmel girls hoops team Jan. 29, it certainly poured. The Corsairs were able to deluge Joliet Catholic Hill with 40 points in the first half alone and eventually cruised to the easy 64-33 win.

Carmel coach John Ryan was pleased with the effort his team put forth in the contest. Carmel got out of the offensive gate quickly and the team was proportionally stingy on defense, holding their opponents to a mere 11 points in the first half.

"It was simply a really good game for us, I thought we played extremely well," Ryan said. "We were up at halftime 40-11, and anytime you can hold a team to only 11 points in a half is good. They're really not a bad team because they've played well in the past, but we just had a great night for our team."

The easy win improves Carmel to 19-4 on the season and 5-1 in East Suburban Catholic Conference action. The Corsairs were ranked at No. 11 in Illinois High School Athletics Associated Press rankings Jan. 24. After two wins since the ranking, Carmel is sure to move

The Corsairs were able to capture the mighty lead with good shooting, as they hit 60-percent of their shots in the first half. With such a spectacular season underway, it would be hard to name the Carmel squad's best play, but Ryan said his team was at its best during the Joliet Catholic contest.

"It was probably our best half of the year," Ryan said. "To shoot 60 percent from the field is great. We were executing our half court offense and hitting our shots. It was really a good game for us."

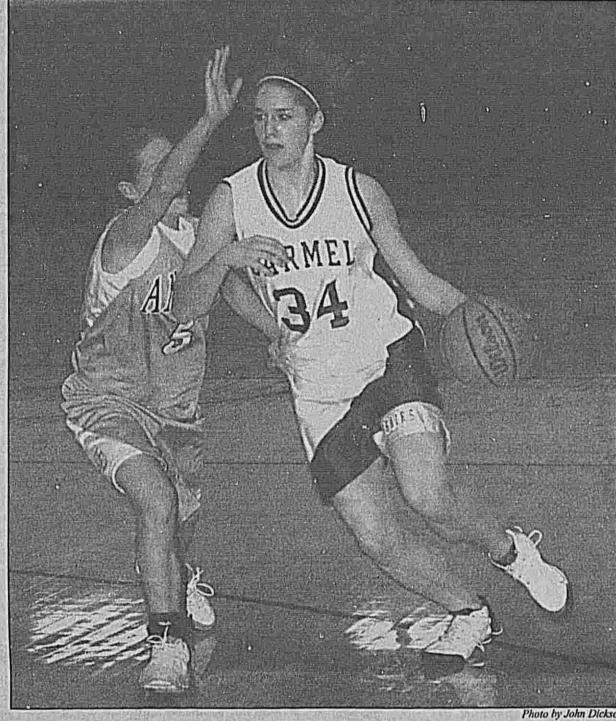
The Corsairs came out firing in beginning of the contest and were able to start the second half with similar results. Carmel was able to bury the competition early and take the Hilltoppers mentally out of the game.

"We got off to a good start and that really helped us," Ryan said. "It's important to get off on a good start at both the beginning of the game and at the beginning of the third quarter and we were able to get that against Joliet. We were able to get off a good start and the other team was never able to recover from that."

The big first half allowed the Corsairs to make substitutions relatively early in the contest, giving some of the more inexperienced players some valuable time on the floor. Ryan said the experience was good for all of those involved, boosting the confidence of both starters and role players alike.

Jenny Eckhart led the Corsairs with 13 points, while Teresa Ogrinc (11) and Mary Sponseller (season-high 10) also had solid efforts for Carmel.

"I think we can take a lot of things out of (the win)," Ryan said. "They don't just have to rely on our two big players and everyone can contribute. We had a great team game, four



Carmel High School senior Teresa Ogrinc drives past her defender and towards the basket while playing the Joliet Catholic Angels. The corsalrs defeated JCA 64-33.

people scored in double figures and we had a lot of contributions from a lot of different people."

FOOTBALL

After Carmel turned in a respectable 7-4 performance, many of the Corsairs' leaders will now get the chance to play at the next level. Seniors Eddie Adamski, Scott Yingling and John Coffey have all committed to Div. I universities to play football.

Adamski, a center, signed with Northern Illinois University and Carmel Coach Andy Bitto said he expects big things from his soonto-depart lineman.

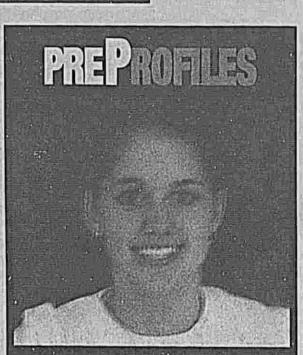
'I think Northern Illinois' done an awesome job at recruiting because I think Eddie's a Big Ten-caliber player because he was recruited by Illinois," Bitto said. "He's an allstate player for us and I think we're going to hear about him in the future. Arguably he's been our best offensive lineman we've had in

Yingling, who juggled his duties at both the quarterback and safety positions has committed to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. Bitto expects Yingling to not only excel with his football duties, but also with his military responsibilities.

"(Yingling) was only in our school for a year and a half," Bitto said. "He played linebacker because he was injured, but they recruited him at quarterback because they run a triple option like we do. I'm sure he'll end up being a high ranking officer because he's got such a great work ethic."

Coffey, a wide receiver, will attend Valparaiso University and Bitto said his work ethic should do him good during his college

"He's going to play at Valparaiso University for a Division I-AA non-scholarship school and he had big shoes to fill because he had Jack Simmons spot and he went to Minnesota. Scott really worked his tail off to get to the level he's at now," Bitto said.



Teresa Ogrinc

ccording to Carmel girls basket-ball coach John Ryan, Teresa Ogrinc can do everything. If the senior forward's play in Carmel's 64-33 win against Jollet Catholic is any indication, he's right. Ogrinc finished the game with as the leader in both points and rebounds in the Jollet Catholic contest.

"Teresa is a do-everything player, she's one of our leaders," Ryan said. "She's our leading rebounder, our second leading scorer, and leading the team in assists."

However, her leadership goes beyond mere statistics as she is also a leader both on and off the court. As much as the young woman exceeds between the lines, she also excels in

the classroom.

"Along with what she can do on the court, Teresa also has probably the highest grade point average of anyone on the team," Ryan said. "She's always been one of the best students on our team. Overall, she has a great attitude and she is a great kid to have on the

Athletically gifted? Absolutely. Good in school? Sure. Silent leader? Don't bet on it. Ogrinc might lead with her play on the court, but she's also prone lling her teammates what the need to do.

"She leads by example and she's very hard working," Ryan said. "She shouts instructions, she calls offensive and defensive sets, it's really like having another coach on the floor."

While she might order her teammates around like a drill sergeant, she is never one to cut down these around

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her.
"She brings a great, positive attitude, and a tremendous amount of energy to the floor," Ryan said. "In order to have a good basketball team, you need energy because basketball is a physical fast-paced game and Teresa gives that to us."-By Dan Patrick

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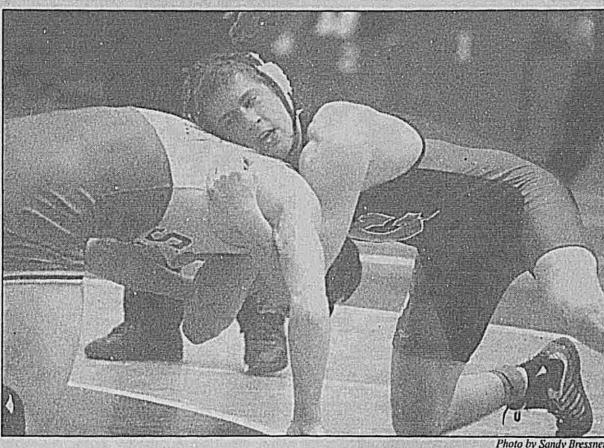
Tom Oeffling







Bulldogs take 3rd straight NSC title



Grant Community High School wrestler Toby Temple competes against Stevenson High School's Andy Burke in the second round of the 140-pound weight class during the North Suburban Conference Wrestling Championships at Vernon Hills High School. The Bulldogs took the team title for the 3rd straight season.

By Steve Peterson

Sports Reporter

hile defending state champ Jim Kennedy made it look easy at 119 pounds, Grant High also received stellar efforts from several wrestlers in defending its North Suburban Conference Meet team championship.

'One of my goals was to be a conference champion. Winning the team title for the third time is huge.'

Joe Barczak Grant Community High School wrestler

One of those was junior 160-pounder Joe Barczak. His win over Warren's Chris Rottweiller gave Grant its necessary lead over Libertyville, making the title stick throughout the night at Vernon Hills.

"One of my goals was to be a conference champion," said long-time wrestler Barczak, winning for the first time in the NSC meet. "Winning the team title for the third time is huge," he said.

Barczak enters the regional with a 34-4 mark.

"We had a lot of guys step up today," said Grant's Daniel Dennis, another champion.

Grant won the team title with 213 points,

toping Libertyville's 201. Kennedy remains unbeaten at 119 after winning the state title at 103 last year. He beat Stevenson's Mike Aufman.

"I knew I could get the pin. I just try and wear him down. You can tell when an opponent slows down. It feels good. I feel good about not having any losses. I feel good about not having any losses, but I approach each tournament like it was the state tournament," Kennedy said. "They look up to me as a leader. I just try and get physically and mentally into each match. I am starting to feel a lot better.

"I'll probably see Dane Lund of Grayslake next week," Kennedy said of regional.

"Conference is important, but next week is the important week," said GCHS coach Ryan Geist.

Junior John Deneen improved to 33-4 with his title at 125 pounds. He beat Ted Strychalski of Libertyville in the final with a 9-3 win in the finals.

Dennis won his title at 130, beating Neal Swanson of Wauconda as the two hooked up yet again. Dennis, 38-1, won 22-9 in the finals.

Senior Toby Temple settled for second at 140, but he lost to four-time NSC Champ Dave Paramski of LHS in the finals. Temple is 31-5.

Geist, while thrilled with the team's win, said two unsung heroes were Ricky Howell and Lucky Ferguson (135).

"They take a lot of the brunt of a tough schedule. I think the world of them. It is great that they got to be all-conference," he said. Howell took fourth place at 152.

Grant first won the NSC title its first year in the league, 2001, then has won it since 2003.

Danny Deligio, a sophomore, took fourth in 103 pounds and is 29-5.

Izzy Montemayor, a freshman, took fourth

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Grant gained a key North Suburban Conference Prairie Division win on the road at North Chicago. The Bulldogs have won eight straight games and 11 of their last 12, but know that they must complete their mission with a win over Zion-Benton in Fox Lake

Grant outlasted North Chicago 54-48 as junior guard Kaela Munster scored 19 points, while Danielle Eiler had 15 and Ashley Arff had

"We were 4-4 to start the season without her, but we have been 14-2 since," said Grant coach Tom Oeffling of Munster.

Munster, a 5-9 junior guard, missed the start of the season due to a knee injury. "She just calms everyone down. We have cut down our turnovers from 33 a game down to 20 or Plus, it opens things up for Arff's shot, too," the coach said.

Grant owns a 9-0 division mark, while Zion, led by University of Illinois-bound Lacey Simpson, is 8-1. Grant beat Zion-Benton on its home floor 66-63 in overtime earlier this season.

The Bulldogs must win or lose by three points or less before more tiebreakers begin to become a factor. The Prairie and Lake Division winners square off in the NSC title game on Feb. 9 hosted by the Lake Division winner. Warren took a commanding lead in the Lake division race with a win over Lake Forest on Saturday.

Eiler's time to shine at NC was the third quarter, as she scored 13 of her 15 points. A senior, Eiler averages 13 points a game and Arff is at about 12.5 points per game.

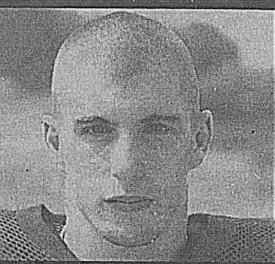
Grant (18-6) also downed Huntley 43-29 in non-conference action. Munster had 14 points, Eiler had 12 and Arff had 8. "We were dominating against a good team, running the offense well and the defense was great. We did a great job on the boards," Oeffling said.

Grant secured the No. 6 seed at the Lake Zurich Sectional. The Bulldogs face Antioch at the Antioch regional at 8 p.m. Feb. 15. Carmel, the second seed, faces No. 18 Round Lake in the opener. Winners clash Feb. 17 in the regional final. Grant also ends the regular-season with a make-up game with Antioch.

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Eric Horvath

rant senior Eric Horvath has a simple philosophy for success: on the mat.

"It was going back and forth, and I just tried to keep myself calm, relaxed and stay away from what he likes to do and do what I like to do," Horvath said.

Horvath was in a classic thriller, which he won 11-9 over Gordon Scharf of meet host Vernon Hills. The title was one of many highlights as Grant defended its NSC wrestling title. "That is pretty much what we focused on all year, trying to get conference championship again. It's huge. I have a good feeling about this year. It is an exciting year," Horvath said.

"I don't like to do anything too lowpercentage moves. I just like to keep it simple to a few moves that I like to do," Horvath said.

Horvath is also a standout in football and track, a state qualifier in the hurdles last year. He's topped the 30win mark on the mat this year, as he. is 33-6 heading into the Grant Regional.

"It helps me to give it everything I have, win lose or draw, I know I gave it everything that I have, I won't be upset," Horvath said.

· Horvath beat Simon Bortz, a senior from Libertyville, in the semifinals. He will take a 32-6 record to regionals at. GCHS, on Feb. 5.

Horvath said that he finds that all the hard work pays off. "I have been really gunning for it, a lot of work in the off-season and the practice room, I wish I could have had it pay off even more, as far as records, a couple of decisions I made, overall, it has been a good season. I can't wait to make it downstate," he said.-By Steve Peterson

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'I have to give the girls a lot of credit, they've come a long way.'

> Mike Hirsch Grayslake girls' basketball coach





Rams still have shot at FVC ti

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

fter starting off the season a horrific 0-15, Grayslake was wondering if the nightmare would ever end. However, after rolling off six straight wins, that nightmare has transformed into dreams of a title.

Amazingly, the Rams still have a chance at a Fox Valley Conference title, as they currently sport a 5-2 record. So Grayslake coach Mike Hirsch has gone from hankering for just one win to holding out hope for another FVC title.

"Winning gets more important as the year goes along," Hirsch said. "It wasn't important two weeks ago, but now that we're winning, I expect us to keep winning."

Grayslake started off the week with a resounding 79-34 win over a hapless Crystal Lake Central team. Kara Ming led Gravslake with 20 points, while Haley Glynn (14 points) and Rachel Wright (11) also had solid scoring efforts.

"We're playing better and we ran into a struggling team," Hirsch said. "We shot the ball fairly well and a lot of girls got a lot of minutes.'

Unfortunately, the Rams' six-game winning streak came to an end the next night against a strong Mundelein team. Despite 14 points and 8 rebounds from sophomore callup Kelly Washington, Grayslake fell to the Mustangs 67-57.

"Kelly is a little jet," Hirsch said. "I'm so impressed with the way she's been playing. For her to step up to varsity and score 14 against a good team like Mundelein says a lot." Ming led the Rams with 15 points, despite

a bad back. Although his team lost, Hirsch was left wondering what might be possible by the end

of the season and into next year. 'We had three sophomores, a freshman and a junior starting and I thought, 'Holy Cow," Hirsch said. "If these girls can keep getting our system down, I'm excited about what we can do by the end of the year."

Up next for Grayslake (6-16, 5-2 FVC) is a road contest at Woodstock Feb. 5 at 7 p.m.

"We're playing really well right now," Hirsch said. "I have to give the girls a lot of credit, they've come a long way."

WRESTLING

Heading into last weekend's Fox Valley Conference meet, Grayslake coach Steve Wood said he would have been satisfied to finish in the middle of the pack. But after besting all expectations, finishing 5th in the tough tournament, Wood was nothing short of ecstatic about his team's performance.

"I feel really good about our finish," Wood said. "We were only two points out of fourth. The kids wrestled pretty well and we saw dramatic improvement even during the meet."

The finish was just the latest in a string of solid showings for the Rams in tournaments this season.

"It just seems like we get up for tournaments," Wood said. "I'm not really sure of the reason; we don't approach them any differently. But I'll take it."

'I feel really good about our finish. We were only two points out of fourth. The kids wrestled pretty well and we saw dramatic improvement even during the meet.'

> Steve Wood Grayslake wrestling coach

Grayslake got an amazing six wrestlers into the finals, with two winning titles and four more finishing third. It was the highest Grayslake total in six years.

Jerry Baumgartner got the Rams going, winning the title at 112 pounds, including a resounding win over Huntley in the finals. "He really controlled that match," Wood said. "It was close on the scoreboard but not on the mat. He really got us going.'

Eric Rohde was the other champion, holding on to his No. 1 seed at 189 pounds.

"He was the No. 1 seed and he wrestled like it," Wood said. "He won some, convincing matches and controlled the final."

Dane Lund (119), Curran Allenstein (125) and Matt Simon (171) all finished third, as did heavyweight Marvin Mantras.

"His (Mantras') season really came full circle in the tournament," Wood said. "He didn't wrestle well in the semis, but came back and responded in wrestlebacks. He was down 7-1 in a match, but came all the way back to win 15-14. He just started improving on the things we had told him were his weaknesses all season."

The solid showing in the tough FVC tournament should give Grayslake a lot of confidence heading into this weekend's regional tournament at Grant High School on Feb. 5. Rounds will begin at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Competing at Grant will be Antioch, Grant, Grayslake, Warren, North Chicago, Round Lake, Waukegan and Zion-Benton.

Qualifiers will advance to the Barrington Individual Sectional Feb. 11-12. The state meet for individuals is Feb. 18-19 at the University of Illinois in Champaign.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Grayslake ended a modest two-game losing streak, picking up its first FVC win of the season along the way in a 70-49 win over Huntley on Friday. The Rams had an 18-point lead in the first quarter and never looked back.

"We're sure not having any difficulties scoring right now," Grayslake coach Tim Bowen said. "It's really clicking right now."

The Rams had four players in double figures, led by Brian Centella's game-high 19 points. Elias Washington (14), Rob Vaughan (12) and Matt Mulvaney (10) also reached double figures for the Rams (11-7, 1-2).

"It's nice to break the losing streak," Bowen said. "And it's always nice to get that first conference win. Hopefully we can get sharp and get back to playing well. But we still have a long ways to go."

Up next for the Rams is a home contest against Cary-Grove Feb. 4 at 7:30 p.m.





Kara Ming

Ithough she wears the same jersey number as her older sister, Kayla, Grayslake sophomore Kara Ming is trying to make a name for herself.

Unfortunately, the comparisons are inevitable. That's because Kara already has two things in common with the now-graduated Kayla-talent and a bad

"Sometimes I'll have to call a timeout just to keep her in the game," Grayslake coach Mike Hirsch said. "But she's such a tough young lady. I wish I could take what she has and bottle it."

Ironically, Ming's bad back first flared up in the Rams' first win against **Huntley in January. Although she has** yet to miss a game due to injury, Ming admits the bad back has been rough

on her.
"It really gets tough at times," Ming said. "I don't know when it's going to happen. Then, all of a sudden, it starts to spasm and the right side of my body shuts down. All I can do is wait until it goes away."

Despite the bad back, Ming has been on fire of late, averaging nearly 20 points per game during Grayslake's recent six-game winning streak.

Ming said of the streak. "We all started off rough, and now we're playing a lot harder and smarter."

Another thing has happened over the course of the season. As her team has evolved into a winner, Ming has been transformed into the leader of the been transformed into the leader of the

young Rams.

"She does everything for us,"
Hirsch said. "She's an excellent ball handler, she's tough in the post and she's an excellent shooter. And the girls are starting to look to her."

Ming, for one, is looking forward to the responsibility.

"It's a rough being a leader, but I'm up to the challenge," she said. "They made me a captain and it's a huge honor. They're depending on me and I don't want to let them down."-By Rob

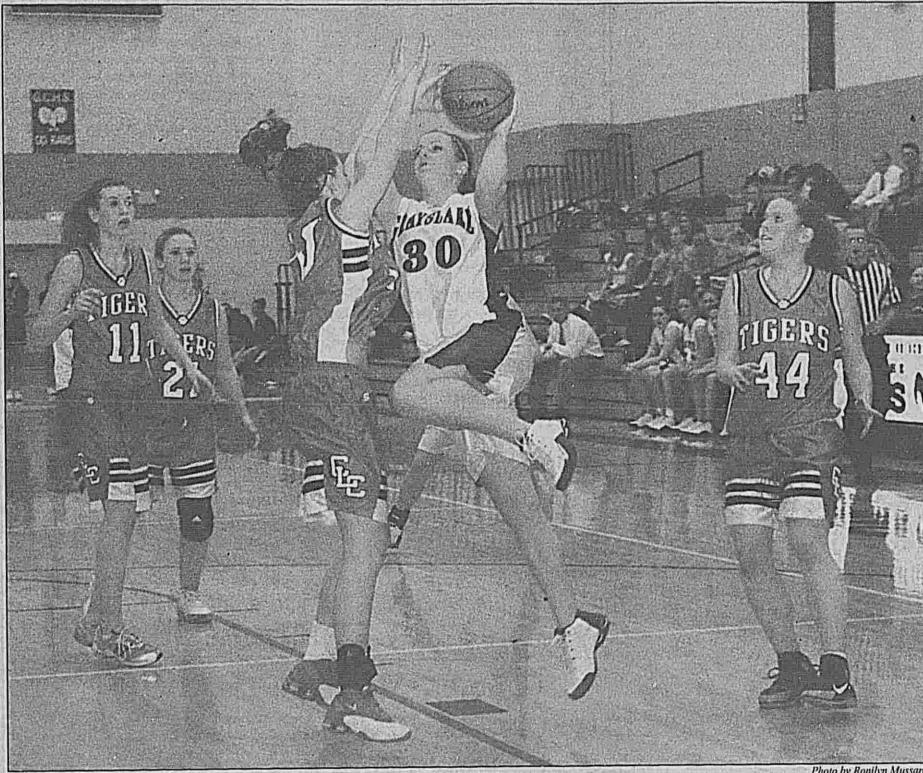


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Grayslake Community High School's Haley Glynn goes up for a shot during the second quarter against Crystal Lake Central in a 79-34 win for the Rams.

'(Mundelein) came into the second half with more emotion and were more pumped up for the game than us. We didn't play with any emotion and didn't play with enough intensity.'

Matt Hogan Libertyville junior guard





Cats fall to rival Mundelein in OT

By Matt Pera

Sports Reporter

he Wildcats should be plenty ready for the postseason come March.

They've already played in front of the hostile crowds; already suffered through the gut-wrenching losses (such as a 54-53 down-to-the-wire defeat against Lake Forest); and have already pulled out the last-second victories (like a 46-44 win over Stevenson Jan. 21).

And all the elements of a playoff atmosphere were present last Friday night, when the Wildcats visited Mundelein for a North Suburban Conference Lake Division rivalry showdown.

In front of a raucous student section, Mundelein pulled off an 83-74 overtime thriller, handing the Wildcats (7-12, 3-4 NSC Lake) their third loss in four games.

It didn't matter that the Mustangs (3-17, 2-5 NSC Lake) had only won two games heading into the contest. Four players on the team (seniors Warren Arnold, Vince Hahn and Jake Gaebler and junior Ian Sanchez) were on the football squad last fall and remembered the feeling they had after the Wildcats knocked them out of the playoffs in the first round.

But just in case the memory had worn off a bit, Mundelein head coach Dick Knar brought head football coach Dave Whitson into the locker room before the

"And I looked at the guys and said, 'Guys, who is this for?'" Knar said. "And they pointed at (Whitson) and he got all fired up and got in there and got them juiced up too."

After digging their way out of a 38-30 halftime deficit, the Mustangs were led by Gaebler, who finished with 26 points, and senior guard Brian Wilhelm, who had 16.

With each shot the Mustangs took to inch close, the crowd got louder, until the final overtime buzzer sounded and the fans rushed

onto the court to celebrate.

First-year Libertyville head coach Scott
Bogumil said he was surprised by the noise

"It knocked us on our heals with the crowd," he said. "I told the team it says a lot they stormed the court and we have 11 losses. They wanted it really bad and it's a good wakeup call for me with a rivalry."

The Mustangs chipped at the lead throughout the fourth quarter. With just over three minutes to go, freshman guard Andy Rochon knocked down a three-pointer to bring Mundelein within one.

A minute and a half later, Wilhelm sank two clutch free throws to put his team up by a point at 64-63.

The score see-sawed back and forth until Gaebler barely missed a 15-foot jump shot, forcing the overtime.

In the extra period, Libertyville was outscored 15-6 to give Mundelein the win.

"I've never had so much fun playing this game," Wilhelm said. "That's why I think we played so good. We were having fun out there."

Bogumil, on the other hand, said the game was one of the top-five most disappointing regular season losses of his coaching career.

"To be honest I think we were a little shocked at the intensity of the environment," he said. "For a team that only had two wins, the place was packed with students and it was a state tournament-type atmosphere."

Senior guard Anthony Jennings led the Wildcats with 16 points, while junior guard Matt Hogan added 14.

"(Mundelein) came into the second half with more emotion and were more pumped up for the game than us," Hogan said. "We didn't play with any emotion and didn't play with enough intensity but I think it will help us in March."

WRESTLING

Libertyville seniors Dave Paramski and Jeff Keske have been fixtures in the lineup since reporting for their first wrestling practice four years ago.



Photo by Sandy Bressner

Libertyville High School wrestler Jeff Keske competes against Round Lake's Scott Pocasangre in the second round of the 145-pound weight class during the North Suburban Conference Wrestling Championships at Vernon Hills High School. The Cats took 2nd in the tournament.

They are more than just teammates for the Wildcats, but they are friends as well.

Keske, the 145 pounder, has a 32-1 mark after winning the NSC Title. He joined elite company, becoming only the fifth senior to win it all four years. The NSC meet was in year 49 this year at Vernon Hills.

'He (Jeff Keske) is just head and shoulders above anyone in his weight class. He has never lost a NSC match.'

> Dale Eggert Libertyville wresting coach

"I think last year (a fourth place finish in the state) helped me this year. I wanted to go all out, with nothing to lose, and be a legitimate all-state contender," Keske said.

Keske said he had no such lofty expectations when that first LHS wrestling practice came around four years ago. "We're both having a good year. We've been friends for a long time," he said,

Saturday was another in the long run of good days for Keske on the mat. The top two seniors are hoping to lead the way at the Feb. 5 regional at LHS. Spots in the Feb. 11-12 Barrington individual sectional and the team sectional will be at stake.

"I just try and stick to my match," he said of the final against Warren's Justin Carlson. He won by a whopping 22-7 mar-

Keske joins Lonny Parker in 1974 from North Chicago; Ben Morris in 1987 of Fenton Ryan Hylinak of Antioch in 200 and Jim Freund of LHS in 2003 as four-year NSC winners. "He is just head and shoulders above anyone in his weight class. He has never lost a NSC match," said coach Dale Eggert.

Paramski also had just won his title, at 140. He downed Grant senior Toby Temple 13-0 for the win. "He was very impressive," Eggert said.

"I wrestle against a variety of guys in the practice room, Jon Hensele who wrestles crazy, and Keske," Paramski said.

Paramski overcame an earlier loss to Temple.

Given the success both have had, it is no wonder that both can choose their colleges for next year.

Grant, though, had its day by winning the team title.

Libertyville trailed only by one-half point going into the finals, but Grant won the team title 213-201. "You have to get tougher. When the going got tough, we did not get tougher. In the first half, we were looking pretty good. It is not conditioning," Eggert said.

Place winners for LHS included Trevor Hall, a junior at 119, who was fourth; Ted Strychalski,, a junior, was second at 125; Jon Hensele, a junior, fourth at 130 and Alex Grant, second at 135. Jack Danilkowicz (28-6), a junior, took third at 275

Vinnie Sapienza, a junior, took fourth for LHS at 189.

GIRLS LACROSSE

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hile Libertyville junior guard Matt Hogan might not have had much varsity experience before this year, he has quickly learned what it means to play in meaningful games.

The Wildcats have had their share of nail-biting, down-to-the-wire wins; heart-breaking, just-miss losses, and games against state championship caliber teams.

After coming off the bench as a defensive specialist last season, Hogan moved into the starting lineup this season and moved alongside seniors Anthony Jennings and Kyle Johnson as one of the team's main offensive options.

And, along with a share of the spotlight, comes a greater portion of the frustration when the team loses such a close game, as they did Friday night against Mundelein (83-74 in overtime) and Jan. 14 against Lake Forest (54-53).

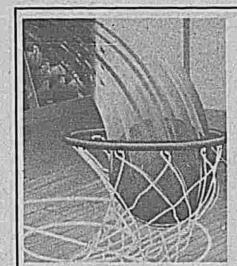
"Especially a couple days after (a tough loss) it's really hard because it's all you can think about," Hogan said. "But the best thing you can do is think about it and learn from your mistakes and move on."

Wildcats head coach Scott Bogumil said Hogan has been an integral part of leading the team past the tough losses.

"He's the cornerstone of the team and also a junior that has not played a ton until this year," Bogumil said. "He's got to come through down the stretch here. We just need him to be a little more assertive."

To improve his offensive prowess, Hogan said he worked harder in the off-season than he ever had before with the knowledge that his offense would be more heavily relied on this year.

"Off the court I don't know if set the tone," Hogan said. "But on the court I try to drive to the hoop and try to set an example and hopefully they follow it and hopefully it helps the team get more emotional."-By Matt Pera



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We just don't seem to know how to change our ways and play up to our potential when we need to.'

- Dick Knar Mundelein boys' basketball coach





Mustangs flat in loss to Zion

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

coreboard problems and complicated mercy rules couldn't stop the old school beat-down Mundelein received from Zion-Benton. Even with the running clock rule in effect, Zion-Benton beat the Mustangs by 28 points as Mundelein took the 74-46 loss to drop to 3-18.

Mundelein coach Dick Knar blamed the loss on flat play throughout the contest. The loss against the Zee-Bees was especially stinging after Mundelein's big 83-74 NSC Lake division win against Libertyville Jan. 29.

"We just had no energy, to come out after a big win to come out and play like this is absolutely disappointing," Knar said. "After a good practice, we have a good game, but when we have a bad practice, we don't play with the same effort."

Zion-Benton took control of the game from the very beginning of the contest as the Zee-Bees already had a 17-point lead at half-time. Zion's Rajohn Kidd led all scorers with 19 points while senior Brian Wilhelm led the Mustangs with eight points.

The Mustangs tried to slow down the game with a diamond press in the third quarter, but the defensive set proved futile as Zion-Benton easily overcame the challenge. Knar said he chose the defense in order to excite his players.

"What I tried to do was get some energy with the press by getting some steals and some easy baskets and get back into the game," Knar said. "But they were able to break the press. We were playing flat and our shots weren't falling and when that happens we start to get out of the offense and jacking up shots."

Running clock or not, Mundelein's coaching staff could find little to rally around after the Mustang loss. However, there is some hope for greater future for Mundelein as Knar sees potential in his team—when the right team shows up for the game.

"After the way we played yesterday, there really are no bright spots to be found in the game tonight," Knar said. "If anyone would have played even close to their capabilities, the game would not have turned out the way it did. We just don't seem to know how to change our ways and play up to our potential when we need to."

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Mustangs' girls team had a bit of a better weekend, knocking off the Grayslake Rams 67-57. Grayslake came into the game on the better part of a six game winning streak after beginning the season with a dismal 0-15 record.

The Rams controlled the game throughout the first half, with Kris Ottens scoring nine points in the opening half to put the Mundelein squad in a 23-18 deficit going into halftime. The tide would change for the Mustangs as Ottens and her hot hand cooled down as she was held scoreless in the second half. However, the Mustangs were able to come back after the break and take control of the game. Sarah Miller scored 12 of her game-high 19 points in the second half while Beth Rosendahl also stepped up in the latter half, scoring 12 of her 16 points after the break.

While Miller was able to put up the points in the contest, Mundelein coach Brian Evans said he was especially proud of Miller's defensive play.

"I thought Sarah Miller had a great game,"
Evans said. "She came out with a lot of defensive intensity and it allowed us to slow down their game and it got us some easy steals."

The game didn't start in Mundelein's corner as Evans was unhappy with his team's defense during the first half. The second half provided a better showing as the Mustangs showed their ability to pick it up at the end of the game.

"We were very disappointed with the effort our girls had in the first half," Evans said. "Luckily, we were able to pick it up in the second half and we got a lot of steals that lead to points."

While the Mustangs were able to come away with the win, Evans still saw some room for improvement in his squad's game. Again, defense is the name of the game in Evans' eyes, but he's also looking for consistency in addition to a suffocating defense.

"We gave up more than 50 points in the Grayslake game and if we're going to be successful, we can't have that," Evans said. "Right now, it's really up and down. When we're playing well, we really play well, but when we're down we don't play well at all and we need to change that."

WRESTLING

Will McDermott, like many an Illinois resident, spent part of last summer in Minnesota. But it was no vacation,

"I wrestled a lot, for 28 days," McDermott said of the J. Robinson Wrestling Camp. "I would recommend it to anyone."

McDermott's off-season work is paying off big dividends. He won the 135-pound title at the North Suburban Conference meet with a pin over Libertyville's Alex Grant in the finals.

McDermott and fellow senior Mike Avalos were Mundelein's champions. Avalos, who has only lost once this year, won the 215-pound bracket.

McDermott, a 27-win wrestler this year, said that his mental perseverance has assisted him to do better this year.

"All I do is wrestle my best. That is what I plan to do. I try to do the best job that I can and lead by good example."

A seasoned wrestler, he know an up-and coming talent when he sees it. That would be sophomore Nick Kainrath. "He is the best driller in the room," McDermott said. "He's going to be a star. He is very focused, knows how to drill and is quick off his feet. He is a hard worker. I love working with him." Kaiinrath also placed for MHS, fifth at 125 and is 22-12.

Avalos (30-1) beat Jason Karpel of Stevenson in his final, in a pin in 3:56. He beat Joe Baruffi of Warren in the semis.

Freshman Adam Avalos took fifth at 160 pounds. Joe Zavatsky, a senior (16-13) took fifth at 189.

Mundelein finished with 106 points, good enough for sixth place. MHS is at the Libertyville wrestling regional on Feb. 5.

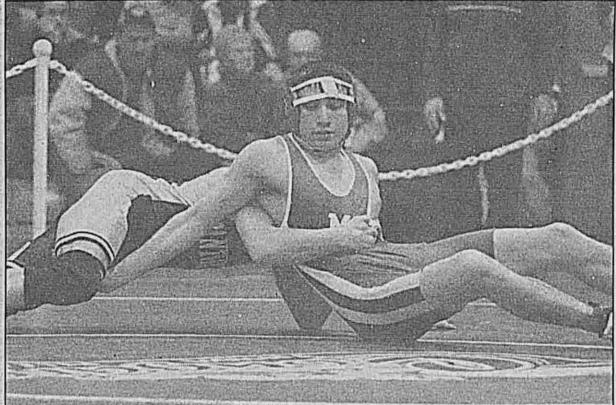
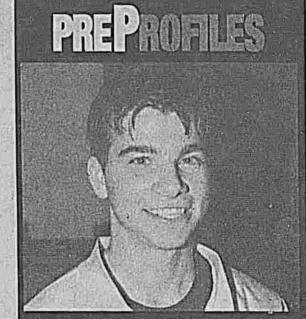


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Mundlelein High School wrestler Adam Avalos competes against Round Lake's D.J. Russell in the second round of the 160-pound weight class during the North Suburban Conference Wrestling Championships at Vernon Hills High School. The Mustangs took 6th in the event.



Brian Wilhelm

hile Mundelein has had a lot of trouble finding bright spots recently, especially after the team's last 74-46 loss to the Zion-Benton Zee Bees, one player has been a consistent ray of hope within the Mustangs' arsenal.

Mustang senior Brian Wilhelm has been a steady performer for Mundelein all season long and was the team's leading scorer in the aforementioned blowout against the Zee Bees with eight points.

While Wilhelm had an off night last Friday, he has been able to put up some good numbers in other contests. The guard put up 17 points in a recent game against Libertyville where Wilhelm turned on the juice in the second half, scoring 15 of his points after the break.

While eight points is certainly not the usual output for Wilhelm, his play was the most sound of the Mustangs in the contest. Wilhelm was at his best from long range, as he hit two three pointers in the third quarter during an eight point run that proved to be one of Mundelein's few bright spots of the evening

evening.

"He's a consistent player and he really plays like a veteran should out there," Mustangs coach Dick Knar said. "Most of our shots weren't falling all night long, but he was able to hit a few from long range."

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According to Knar, Wilhelm suffered in the game due to a team-wide bout with inconsistent play. However, when the cards are right, Wilhelm and the rest of the Mundelein squad can be quite potent from the field.

"The team is streaky and we don't play with the same effort when we're down," Knar said. "When we're on, we're on and he's a part of that. When he's hot, he can really hit some shots."—By Dan Patrick



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> Mark Petrynek Round Lake boys' hoops coach



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Panthers remain winless in Prairie division

By Steve Peterson

Sports Reporter

eam unity will be an important aspect to bring back to a good level as the season winds down for the Round Lake High boys basketball team.

The Panthers (1-16, 0-8 NSC Prairie) were able to stay competitive for a quarter plus against North Chicago, but the Warhawks depth prevailed in a 71-44 loss. Grant's offense was too much Matt Behm as he scored 28 points, a season and career high in a 64-43 Grant win at Round Lake on Friday,

Round Lake hosts Stevenson in a crossover game on Feb. 8.

"It's hard, because the players each have a tendency to look at their own stats. It's a team game, but I blame that on ESPN and the magazines. Look at players such as Bartlett's Lindsey Schrader. She is pretty good at 6-0, but she also has good teammates," said Round Lake Coach Mark Petrynek.

John Paulsen scored 20 points against Grant and had another 16 against North Chicago. The center has learned the importance of adding bulk to compete against other post players, the coach said.

Ceasar Moore tallied 9 against Grant and Brian Mendralla continued his consistency, with 10 against Grant and 6 against NC. "Mendralla is very consistent. He makes some mistakes, but he will then more than make up for it," Petrynek said.

Joe Johnson had a good game defensively against Grant's Eric Lostroscio, as he scored eight points below his average. Freshman point guard Jerome Brown was absent due to a funeral. The coaches are coping with the commitment to practice by some team members.

On Tuesday, Round Lake actually led 9-7 after one, but North Chicago pulled its starters, but the reserves were equally tough. North Chicago led 27-20 at halftime and pulled away in the second half. Elhanan Israel scored 27 points and was unstoppable at times. Josh Allen added 14 points and the substitutes did the rest. NC is 12-8 overall and in second place in the NSC Prairie Division.

"I hope to last until the very end. We haven't jelled as a program, but we're getting there. This summer, they will have to make a commitment to improving themselves. We'll be in three leagues and tournaments and they will have to play in 95 percent of the time to make the team," Petrynek said.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

With 32 minutes of play, there are only a certain number of possessions available in any high school basketball game.

So 30 turnovers figured to be a big factor as Highland Park dominated Round Lake 55-18 in non-conference action. Round Lake lost to the Lacey Simpson-led Zion-Benton squad, 60-16.

The effort still is there for the one-win Panthers.

"We have five seniors who did not see a lot of success at the underclass or the varsity level. But they have stayed with it when they could have packed it in and quit. They are trying to get better and be the best that they can be," said RL coach Gary Edge.

"We just don't get enough shots," he

Senior Kimmy Nicoline, a 5-6 guard, exemplifies that stick-with-it spirit. She scored 18 points against Zion-Benton, despite the fact her team was down 29-2 at one point.

Other seniors still hanging in there and trying to improve are Jenny Cordova, Erin Poynter, Lauren Fischer, Amanda Fermo and Vanessa Schook.

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Gary Edge Round Lake High School girls' basketball coach

Round Lake is at Vernon Hills Feb. 4 in NSC Prairie play and at Mundelein Feb. 8. The Panthers are the lowest seed in the Lake Zurich Sectional, facing No. 2 Carmel on Feb. 15 in the first game at Antioch.

WRESTLING

Thanks to Josh Terrell and a trio of brothers, Round Lake finished a surprising fifth at last weekend's North Suburban Conference Meet at Vernon Hills High School.

Terrell successfully defended his title at 152 pounds, pulling out a 6-4 win in the finals over Stevenson's Jeremy LaPlante. Dillon Pousson won the title at 103 pounds, while brother Derrick won the title at 112 pounds.

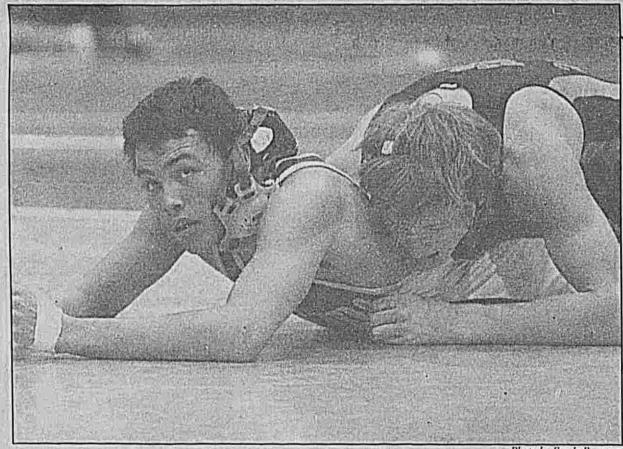
Dustin Pousson, a senior, took third at 135 pounds, now 24-7, beating Warren's Scott Malagon by pin for third. Scott Pocasangre lost a close 7-6 match in the third place battle at 145. Ryan Bernard took fourth at 140.

The two Pousson triumphs were key in Grant's successful defense of its NSC Title, its third straight over Libertyville. Round Lake finished with 117.5 points, good for fifth place.

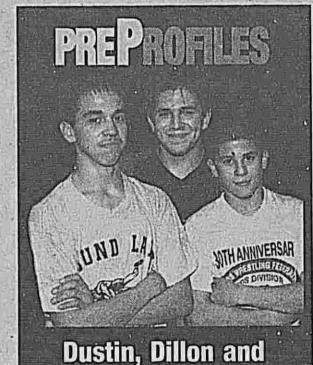
"The Pousons and Josh all had great tourneys. They have a good chance at the regional. Dillon, a freshman, has a lot of matches in him. They never stop wrestling until the whistle blows. It was Josh's first time against the Stevenson guy. He wrestled a smart match," said RL coach John

James Huffman at 119 and B.J. Russell at 160 both took eighth.

Before Saturday, Round Lake had just two champions in its four years in the NSC.



Round Lake High School wrestler Scott Pocasangre looks to the referee as his ear protection falls off during a match with Libertyville's Jeff Keske in the second round of the 145-pound weight class during the North Suburban Conference Wrestling Championships at Vernon Hills High School.



ike many wrestlers on a hot streak this time of the season, Round Lake freshman Dillon Pousson would like to thank his

Derrick Pousson

But he has a bigger reason than most. "I would like to thank Coach John Jobst, who has been watching me wrestle since I was 3 years old," Dillon Pousson said.

Pousson started what appears to be a promising prep wrestling career with the title of 103 pounds at the NSC Meet. He is 27-2 heading into the Feb. 5 regional at Grant. To top it off, his brother Derrick won a thriller in double overtime to claim the title in the very next match, at 112.

"The experience this year has been great. I'll go in with confidence next week. I have learned different moves and new shots," Dillon Pousson, the most talkative of the three Pousson brothers, said.

"It helped a lot having my brother watch. You want to win and move on. I was tired, but the mental aspect took over. It feels great," Derrick Pousson said. "My mom is happy."

Dillon Pousson built up an early ead in the final over Libertyville frosh Trey Ayala. It was 7-2 after the first period and 9-4 after the second and he was never challenged. He beat Alex Rothfeld of Stevenson in the semifinals.

Derrick Pousson also faced a ibertyville wrestler in the finals, junior Peter Marzetta, who was 25-8. Libertyville took the lead early on a reversal, but two escapes tied it up for Pousson. It stayed that way until Pousson prevailed in the second OT.

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WERNON HILLS

'We had a little spurt and we were able to keep it steady for the rest of the game.'

Paul Brettner
Vernon Hills girls' basketball coach



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Cougars win close battle over Wauconda

By Dan Patrick

Sports Reporter

fter battling through a grueling first half to a 24-24 stalemate in the first half, Vernon Hills turned on the afterburners, going on a 14-4 run in the first five minutes of the third quarter. The run gave the Cougars a 10-point lead they would never relinquish, before going on to win 51-44 to improve to 4-22 on the season and 3-6 in NSC Prairie division action.

Vernon Hills coach Paul Brettner attributed the run to good defense and was especially pleased with the consistency his team displayed during the second half.

"I think they did a great job, we forced them to run some half court sets and we were able to get some steals," Brettner said. "We had a little spurt and we were able to keep it steady for the rest of the game."

Senior Stephanie Hebda led the Vernon Hills attack with 18 points and six rebounds while Alyssa Wilson had a good all-around game with four points, six steals and six assists. Laura Nardini also turned in a strong performance for the Cougars with seven points, five assists and two steals. Hebda, who did not start in the game, has now earned a position in the starting lineup after the strong showing.

"(Hebda)'s a great kid and when she came off of the bench, she had a great game," Brettner said. "It's nice to get such a great group of kids who fulfill their roles the way she did. She's a senior and she doesn't normally start, but she's earned a starting spot after the way she played today."

The teams were evenly matched throughout the game with neither team gaining more than a five-point lead until the aforementioned Cougar run. The game was so close, it was reminiscent of Vernon Hills' prior contest against the Bulldogs Dec. 18.

"We're really very close, we actually came out with a 24-22 win the last time we played (Wauconda)," Brettner said. "They're a scrappy, good team and it's always close when we play them, but we came out with the victory today."

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

The Vernon Hills Gymnastics team has had a bit of an up-and-down week, first by turning in a strong performance during the conference competition, but the team was not able to qualify for sectional competition.

The Cougars finished fourth in conference action while they could only muster a No. 3 finish during the regional meet Vernon Hills hosted Monday.

Cougar coach Denise Houda said she was proud of her team's showing during the conference meet. According to Houda, the team improved a lot during the season.

"I thought we really did well in the conference competition," Houda said. "We ended up taking fourth in the conference competition

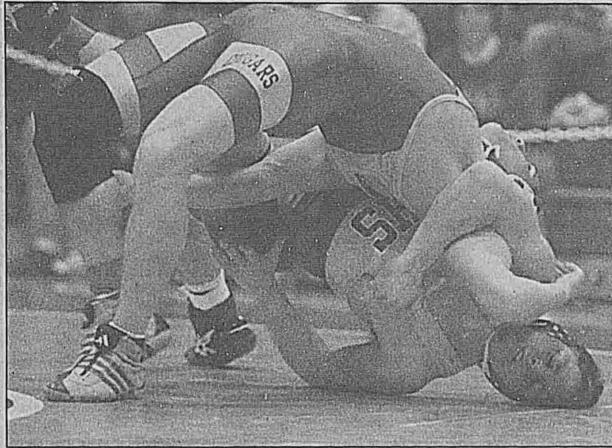


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Vernon Hills High School wrestler Gordon Scharf, a senior, does a backbend over opponent Jered Woodward of Stevenson High School in the second round of the 171-pound weight class during the North Suburban Conference Wrestling Championships at Vernon Hills High School.

and we've definitely stepped it up when we need it late in the season."

'I'd say that the conference meet was our best meet in general. I think we've made a lot of progress since our first meet this season. Every one of the girls really pulled their weight that day.'

Denise Houda Vernon Hills High School girls' gymnastics coach

The conference proved to be the best showing in the season and Houda said she enjoyed the strength some of her lesserknown gymnasts were able to display during the meet.

"I'd say that the conference meet was our best meet in general," Houda said. "I think we've made a lot of progress since our first meet this season. Every one of the girls really pulled their weight that day."

After the strong showing during conference, Kliver said she had hopes of her team getting into state. Unfortunately, the Cougars will not make it to the next level after a third place finish in the IHSA Regional.

However, Kliver herself has qualified for

an at-large invitation along with her teammate junior Brittany Laskowski who took the No. 5 spot in the floor competition with an 8.8 score. Cougar senior Jackie Fergen will also get a chance to represent Vernon Hills as she took third in the balance beam with a strong 8.675 mark.

Kliver has been a consistent performer for the Cougars throughout the 2004-2005 campaign and Houda wanted to express her gratitude for the senior star.

"Beth Kliver did a great job during the meet and she's done a great job throughout the season," Houda said. "She ended up winning both the vault and bars at regionals and that really helped us out."

WRESTLING

Gordon Scharf and Grant's Eric Horvath battled down to the final seconds at 171 pounds, before Horvath pulled out an 11-9 win.

Scharf still leads the Vernon Hills contingent to the Feb. 5 regional at Libertyville at 30-4.

"They were just two competitiors who were going all out. Last year, it was the same thing," said Vernon Hills coach Jerry Miceli.

The Cougars, the host-team for the NSC Meet, tied with Antioch for seventh place with 55 points.

Senior Kwang Baek, at 275, bounced back from a first round loss to take fifth. Senior Tom Rams also had a good tourney, at 135, also finishing in fifth place.

"I'm not disappointed in the kids, but I'm disappointed for them," Miceli said.

PREPROFILES



Beth Kliver

have been constants within the Vernon Hills gymnastics locker room, a 5-1 performer named Beth Kliver and her trusty teddy bear. The diminutive gymnast hugs the teddy bear at every break in action.

"It's my good luck charm, it's from my gymnastics manager last year and it comes with me to every meet," Kliver said. "I had one last year, but I lost it, so I had to get a new one. I cried when I lost my first one, but I got this one for my birthday."

If Kliver's recent win during regional gymnastics championships at Vernon Hills can be used as a gauge, Kliver's bear must be stuffed with four leaf clovers. During the competition, Kliver won the floor exercise competition with an average score of 9.675, nearly half a point greater than her nearest competition and she won the overall competition by more than one full point with a score of 37.600.

Always a perfectionist, Kliver was actually displeased with the score she received in the floor exercise, a competition she actually won.

"I didn't know I won, there were a lot of good teams there and I didn't know I was even up there," Kliver said. "I was actually really unhappy with my floor score but in everything else, we were clean and solid."

While she continues to tear things up in the high school ranks, Kliver also has her eyes set on the next level as well.

"I want to continue gymnastics in college and I'm looking at a few different schools right now," Kliver said. "I'm just going to wait until after the season to see how it goes. Hopefully, I'll still be around in college competition."-By Dan Patrick



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John Stanczykiewicz Warren girls hoops coach





Bembry's 25 points key Devils' w

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

hile Warren junior Marcus Lewis had led the way throughout much of the season, as he did in a 41point outburst against Mundelein last week, several Blue Devils have also shown the ability to shoulder the load on any given

'I was feeling it tonight. My teammates kept getting me the rock in a position to score.'

> Marvin Bembry Warren Township High School basketball player

That's exactly what Marvin Bembry did Friday night, pouring in a game-high 25 points in a 68-51 win over Antioch in NSC Lake division action.

"I was feeling it tonight," Bembry said. "My teammates kept getting me the rock in a position to score."

As a further showcase of Warren's depth, Lewis (11 points, 6 rebounds, 4 assists)), Jordan Dalton (10 points, 5 assists) and Ceola Clark (4 points, 6 assists) also had solid efforts.

"Marvin and Jordan both had outstanding games," Warren coach Chuck Ramsey said. "Obviously we have a lot of depth and balance. Over the course of the season different kids have their time to shine."

With Warren clinging to a 23-17 lead in the second quarter, Bembry began to shine, scoring 8 second-quarter points, including a reverse layup on a no-look pass from Dalton, as the Devils took a 40-25 lead into the locker

"We've been working on moving the ball around all week," Dalton said. "We were doing it well in practice and it just carried over into

Bembry also dished out a nice assist of his own to open the third quarter, feeding Dalton on an alley-oop layup to give Warren a 46-25

"That was a lovely pass," Dalton said of Bembry's assist. "It was unexpected."

Dalton returned the favor later in the quarter, feeding Bembry for an alley-oop to give Warren a 52-37 advantage. Bembry scored his 10th point of the quarter to give the Devils a 54-39 advantage heading into the

Warren finished with 21 assists (against only 5 turnovers), shooting 27 of 49 from the field (55 percent) in the contest.

"We were pretty efficient on offense," Ramsey said. "And the ball movement was very good at times.'

The win improved the Devils' record to 15-2 overall and 7-0 in the NSC Lake division. Warren travels to Wauconda for an NSC crossover game Feb. 5.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

After two straight sub-par efforts, this was exactly the kind of intensity Warren coach John Stanczykiewicz was hoping for.

The Devils used a swarming defense to defeat Lake Forest 37-33 in an NSC Lake division match-up on Saturday. The win improved Warren's record to 20-2 overall and 7-1 in the Lake division.

"I thought we played extremely well," Stanczykiewicz said. "I told the girls after the game that we were back. This is the way I expect us to play all the time. The girls stepped up and played well against a determined club."

The game was a defensive struggle to say the least, as Warren shot 11 of 29 (38 percent) from the field, while Lake Forest shot 9 of 32 (28 percent).

"Whenever you play a team for the third time, you know each other well," said Stanczykiewicz, whose team has now defeated the Scouts three times this season. "With so much on the line, both teams got conservative."

The difference came in the fourth quarter, with Warren's T.K. LaFleur scoring 11 of her game-high 15 points, including a pair of free throws with seven seconds left to seal the victory. Alex Leach added 10 points for the Devils, while Kristin Cartwright led the Scouts with 14.

"In a game like that, it's the little things," Stanczykiewicz said. "We got some shots to fall and made our free throws. Our determination was great. We never let up."

The win puts Warren in the driver's seat for a division title. But Stanczykiewicz won't let his girls get ahead of themselves.

'We haven't won anything yet," he said. "Playing at Stevenson is never easy and Antioch is always a tough road game,"

WRESTLING

Being an outstanding football player does have its downside.

For Warren's Jon Gialds, that would be the start of wrestling season. The senior has had a strong season, an 18-5 mark and an NSC title at 189 pounds to show for his efforts, though.

"It does take a couple of weeks to get into wrestling shape. It is a different kind of conditioning than football," Gialds said.

WTHS coach Mark Tiffany said Gilads has had a very strong season. "Like most good heavyweights, it is hard to get a good wrestling partner for him," Tiffany said.

Jamie Jacobo gave WTHS upper weights its first title of the league meet at 189 pounds. He

beat Andrew Baker of Wauconda in only 1:07. "Jamie is just a wrestler who comes to bat-

tle every meet," Tiffany said. Warren finished a strong third with 186.5 points, behind Grant and Libertyville's 213 and 201. The Blue Devils are pointing to the Feb, 5 regional meet at Grant.

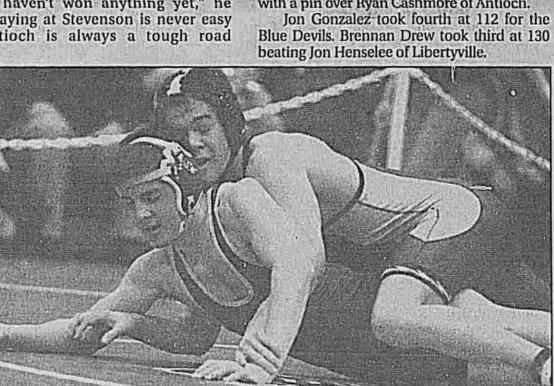
Gialds' road to the finals included a win in the semis over Jack Danilkowicz of Libertyville. He beat a 28-win wrestler, Baker, in the finals.

Jacobo, 23-2, beat Joe Zavatsky of Mundelein in the semis.

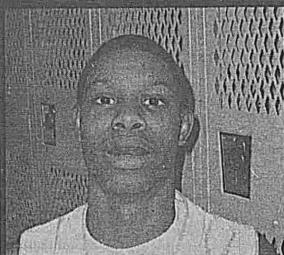
Sophomore Justin Carlson made it to the finals at 145, but lost to now four-time NSC Champ Jeff Keske of Libertyville 22-7. Carlson is up from 119 last year.

Senior Chris Rottweiller lost to Joe Barczak of Grant 8-2 in the finals of 160. He was a .500 wrestler last year, but has posted a 26-win season this season.

Joe Baruffi bounced back from a loss to Mundelein's Mike Avalos at 215 and took third with a pin over Ryan Cashmore of Antioch.



Warren Township High School wrestler Jake Deltmeyer, bottom, struggles with opponent James Cole of Zion-Benton High School in the second round of the 140-pound weight class during the North Suburban Conference Wrestling Championships at Vernon Hills High School. The Blue Devils took 3rd in the tourney.



Jordan Dalton

hile he's certainly the short-est member of Warren's boys hoops team by a fair margin, no one has grown up more in the past year than junior Jordan

"He's one of the most improvedmembers of the team," Warren coach
Chuck Ramsey said. "His decision making this year is vastly improved."

A point guard in the truest sense of
the term, Dalton thinks pass first, and

even second, before he would even think of taking the shot himself.

"He runs things in our initial offense," Ramsey said. "He makes the first decision and is very willing to set other people up for the best shot."

But that's not to say that he can't score, either. Dalton has shown on more than one occasion that he's capable of scoring in double figures.

"I really worked on my shot over the summer," Dalton said. "If I can't score, I'm a liability to the offense. I have to play with confidence on the offensive end."

His ball handling and passing skills are already becoming the stuff of legend at Warren. At least once per game Dalton breaks off a crossover move or a no-look pass right out of an AND1 mix tape, causing the crowd to shout "Ohhh" in amazement.

"He just has outstanding ball handling skills," Ramsey said. "And his assist-to-turnover ratio is 3-to-1, which is very good."

But Dalton insists that he doesn't see anything another point guard wouldn't see on the floor.

"I just try to look ahead and anticipate where my man will be and get the ball to him," Dalton said. "Plus my teammates do a good job of getting

"Experience is a big part of it," he added. "I'm just more aware of what's going on. Plus this is my first year of being healthy, so the continuity is there with my teammates."-By Rob Backus

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MAUGONDA

We're pretty confident right now that we can play with anybody.'

Rich Wolf

Wauconda boys' basketball coach



Bulldogs top Grant in Prairie showdown

By Steve Peterson

Sports Reporter

double-digit win season is still within the grasp of Wauconda High's boys basketball team.

Senior lay Grooms and junior Time

Senior Jay Grooms and junior Tim Schwarz scored 18, including 15 second-half points, to lead the offense, but it was the free-throw line that made a 58-50 win over Grant possible. The two combined for six straight free throws in the final 2:30. Grant struggled on an 11 of 24 night from the line.

"We work on free-throw shooting a lot," Grooms said.

And beating the squad from Fox Lake for the second time this year is also a priority.

"Grant is our rivals. We thought about what went wrong last time. Schwarz has played unbelievable since the last time we played them," Grooms said.

Grooms is also into his groove as the season winds down. He is a veteran at hoops, having played since he was in fourth grade.

Coach Rich Wolf said that Schwarz's experience on the varsity last year is paying dividends. "Now he is making the most of it," Wolf said. "Jason Karels stepped up. He had not gotten a lot of minutes, but today he did."

"We're pretty confident right now that we can play with anybody. Right now we're doing the little things, like executing our free throws," Wolf added.

Wauconda center Jason Karels is one player who gets ready for the clash of the Bulldogs.

"I always have my best games against Grant," he said.

Wauconda led 35-28 early in the fourth, but Grant cut it to three points on a free throw by Mike Mauch (20 points) and Eric Lostroscio added 14. But Grant could not execute down the stretch, and senior center Jason Karels scored off a nice pass from Schwarz and Grooms was fouled on offensive rebound and Schwarz also calmly sank two free throws in the final two minutes for Wauconda.

"If you work so hard to try and get a basket, why would you let the other team get an easy basket. When you are trying to make up ground, it is a pretty deflating thing to happen, but you have to give Wauconda credit," Grant coach Phil Ralston said. "We knew what Schwarz was capable of, but I would not say that I was surprised. I was disappointed that we let them off the hook defensively. That turns the game into a different game in the fourth quarter. It was 43-40, we had a chance to make our moves, but we could not."

Wauconda (8-12, 3-5) had battled Zion-Benfon hard in a 56-47 loss Friday. Grooms had 12 points, Schwarz 11 in another good effort.

WRESTLING

Wauconda High had a strong day at the NSC Wrestling meet in Vernon Hills, placing fourth

Sophomore Nick Swanson placed third at 125 and is 30-8. His brother, senior Neal, gained runner-up honors at 130 to Daniel Dennis of Grant, and is 29-5. Senior John Champion took fourth place at 150 pounds

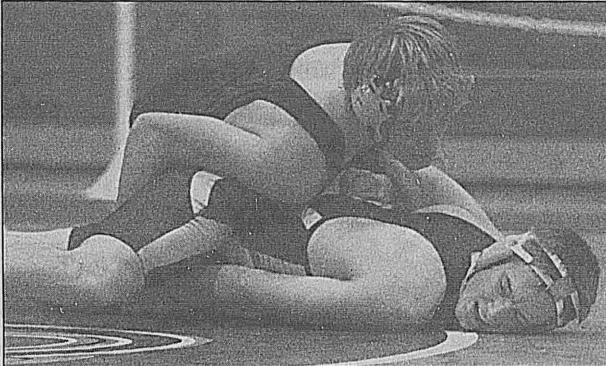


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Wauconda High School wrestler John Champion, a senior, competes against Joe Barczak of Grant High School in the second round of the 160-pound weight class during the North Suburban Conference Wrestling Championships at Vernon Hills High School. The Buildogs finished 4th in the meet.

and is 18-12. Senior Andrew Baker made it to the finals at 189, losing to Jaime Jacobo of Warren and is 29-8.

Scott Hoy, a sophomore, made the 20-win club with a fourth-place finish at 275.

Eric Madsen, a senior, gained fifth at 215 pounds, as did freshman Derek Lovell at 103.

Wauconda lost a close battle with Lake Zurich to finish the regular dual meet season. WHS is at the Libertyville Regional on Feb. 5.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

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PREPROTUES Scott Hoy

cott Hoy knows the drill at his family's home when Christmas and Thanksgiving come around.
"We get all dressed up, then wrestle on the carpeting," Hoy, a junior, said.

Hoy comes from a long line of family wrestlers. He presently battles at 275 pounds for the Bulldogs. His dad, Mike, and uncle Tom Hoy both wrestled, with Tom a two-time state qualifier in 1982 and 1983 for Wauconda. Tom Hoy is a teacher and coach at a Deerfield middle school.

Hoy finished a strong fourth at the North Suburban Conference Meet at 275 last weekend at Vernon Hills. The Bulldogs are gearing up for the regional meet at Libertyville on Feb. 5. WHS was a solid fourth in the league tournament, with 137 points.

Early in the year, he recalled when he got started in his favorite sport. "I started when I was 6 years old," Hoy said.

Hoy said Tom, his uncle, has been a big help. Tom Hoy was fourth in the state meet, then went on to wrestle at Northern Illinois University. Tom also coached Wauconda Middle School wrestlers several years ago.

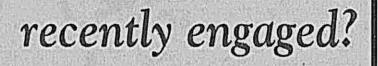
There is another family wrestler to watch, as Brendan Barrett, a nephew, is a freshman wrestling for Prairie Ridge in Crystal Lake.

"My parents did not miss a match in 17 years," said Mike Hoy, Scott's

Hoy credits WHS assistant coach Kurt Rowhling as a key motivator. In the fall, it is football for Hoy, who enjoys going battling for coach Glen Kozlowski.

"He does not work here, but he makes you feel so involved." After wrestling, it is baseball, where Hoy is a relief pitcher and first baseman.
"Participating in three sports is great. It keeps you out of trouble," he said.-

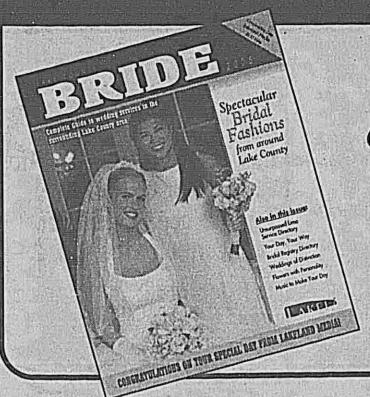
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'I thought we played very well. The score doesn't reflect that. This was by far one of our more aggressive games.'

Colette Erbach Waukegan girls' hoops coach



Bulldogs bounce back to sweep weekend

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By Nicholas Alajakis

Sports Reporter

omeone forgot to tell Waukegan coach Brian Colbert that his team was supposed to struggle on the road.

The team had, after all, lost four of their last five away from the Dog Pound. And they were coming off a humiliating 20-point loss in Evanston.

"(That loss) was a turning point," Colbert said. "It made us look at ourselves in the mirror and ask ourselves 'What do we want to do?' Do we want to salvage this season and play like we are capable of? Or are we just going to stay on this roller coaster?"

Ask New Trier and Stevenson, who saw first hand on back-to-back nights, what path Waukegan decided to take.

Waukegan won a 65-62 nail-biter at New Trier on Friday night, thanks to late free throws from Ben Vega and Emanuel Gaiter, who had a game-high 25 points.

The following night the Bulldogs went on the road to play a tough Stevenson team in what could have been a trap game. But the only thing trapped were Stevenson ball handlers, as they struggled to adjust to Waukegan's early full-court press.

Waukegan forced three turnovers in the games first two minutes to take a 9-0 lead.

"We've been trying to do that all season," Gaiter said of his team's quick start. "Today we finally got to it and played."

'Well, we finally played like we were capable of doing. It was the best total team effort we've had all year...back-to-back games. And big games.'

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The Bulldogs carried the momentum to a 71-50 victory, in a game that never saw Stevenson score more than four points in a

Afterward Colbert said he thought it was one of most complete games his team has played all season.

"Well, we finally played like we were capable of doing," Colbert said with a grin. "It was the best total team effort we've had all year...back-to-back games. And big games."

What Colbert especially liked, he said, is the way the scoring was divided among his team's players. Team stars, Gaiter and Laron Frazier scored only eight of the team's 34 first-

And while some coaches may panic when their stars don't produce, Colbert reacted differently, saying he's been waiting all year for the team to step up the way they did. Ben Vega and Tyrell Edwards had six and eight points respectively in the first half to help take attention away from the Bulldogs' top scorers. Vega ended with nine points, all on three-pointers, and Edwards added 10, as all but one player that suited up for the Bulldogs scored.

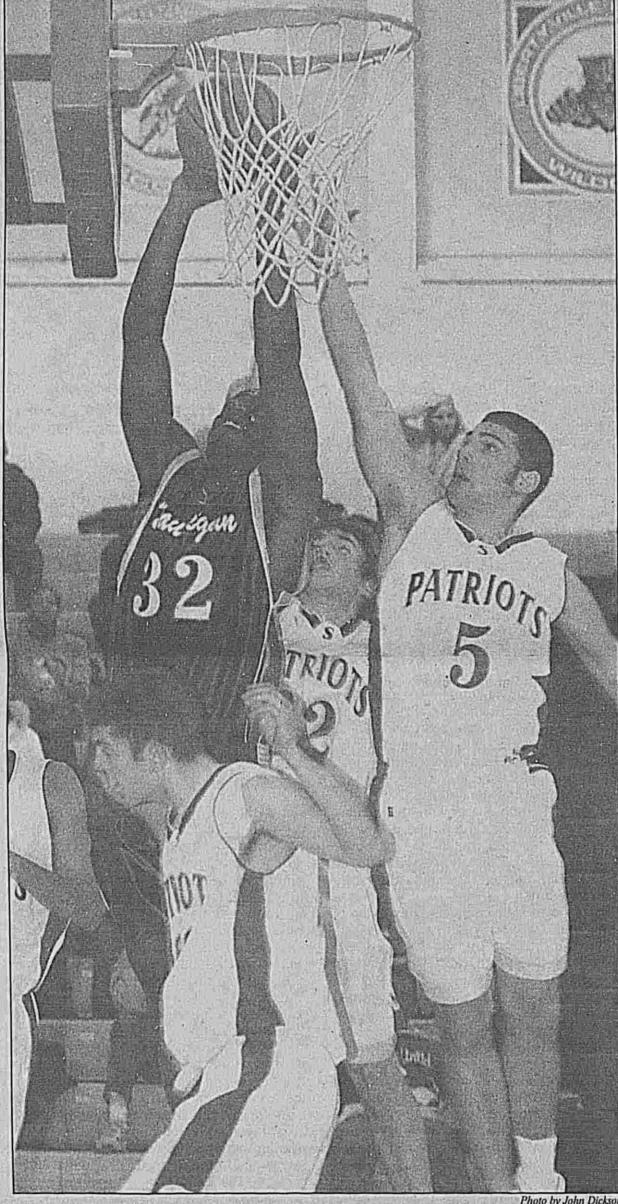
Even seldom-used reserve Robert Pluta made a free throw, as the Bulldogs bench and much of their cheering section erupted in applause.

David Davis was the only Bulldog not to register a point, but he made up for it with two big blocks in the third quarter to end what lit-. tle momentum Stevenson was gaining.

"David has really good timing," Colbert said of Davis. "He gets key blocks that get us the ball back."

Gaiter and Frazier again led the team in scoring with 17 and 16 points, respectively.

Waukegan is on the road again this Saturday against Glenbrook South. The game was scheduled for Friday evening, but has · been moved to Saturday at 2 p.m. in order to be shown on WTTW Channel 11.



Waukegan High School's Emanuel Gaiter goes up for an easy layup in the Bulldogs' 71-

GIRLS BASKETBALL

50 win over Stevenson last Saturday.

Going into last Friday's contest against state-power New Trier, Waukegan coach Colette Erbach knew it would take a miracle for her team to pull off an upset.

The miracle never happened, but Erbach's team left the game feeling they had accomplished something despite a 69-36 loss.

"I thought we played very well," Erbach said. "The score doesn't reflect that. This was by far one of our more aggressive games."

Both teams began the game without their normal starters. In honor of senior night Erbach started all seniors. And New Trier coach Teri Rodgers compensated by coming out with reserves.

The shift in plans seemed to favor the Bulldogs a bit, as they kept the game close, trailing by only four with moments remaining in the first quarter, Crystal McNeely had four of her six points in the opening period.

But when it came time for New Trier to put in a more experienced squad, the game quickly turned in favor of the Trevians. New Trier used accurate shooting to go on a 15-4 run, on their way to a 36-14 lead. And they never looked back.

Despite being down big for much of the game, Erbach said she thought her team composed itself well.

"I was happy with them," Erbach said. "They didn't give up. They played hard no matter what the score was."

Waukegan was led in scoring by Shayla Dukes who had seven points-all in the final

quarter. Angel Jones added six. After the game Erbach said he thought the way her team played would help them down the stretch against teams closer to their competition level. Waukegan earned the 16 seed in their sectional and would need to beat Grayslake, the 13 seed, to move on in the tournament.

PREPROFILES



Emanuel Gaiter

Waukegan senior Emanuel
Gaiter paced the court waiting
for his opponent's timeout to expire.
Before the ball was put in play he glanced up at the scoreboard. It showed his team leading 9-0. But Gaiter knew that wasn't enough.

"Let's go ya'll" Gaiter screamed at his teammates. "It ain't over..."

And with that, they went. And went, and went, until the game had ended with a 21-point victory. Because when you have a player like Emanuel Gaiter on your team, you listen. You listen because he is averaging more than 20 points and seven rebounds a game. Because he is one of the area's toughest inside players. Because he has more than 1,200 career points, second in Waukegan history only to teammate Laron Frazier.

But most importantly, you listen because he is the quite possibly the team's most important factor in repeating last year's sectional success.

And what Gaiter is saying is that he wants the team to play together and stay focused on winning. A 20-point loss to fierce rival Evanston two weeks ago was the all the losing Gaiter wants to deal with. The loss, Gaiter said, showed the team how important it is to stay focused from the time they board the team bus to the time the final buzzer sounds.

"We're staying focused until the game is over ... taking care of business," Gaiter said.

Now riding a new win-streak and sporting a 13-5 record, Gaiter said the team has been playing off each other more. Much to the delight of Coach Brian Colbert, superstars are using roles players as inspiration to play harder and role players are helping to take attention away from superstars. "We need that," Colbert said.

(Gaiter and Frazier) can't do it on

their own."

The "it" Colbert, and everyone on the team keeps referring to?

"Win," Gaiter says as he smiles.

Then he walks away to goof around with teammates, after a victory.-By Nicholas Alajakis

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In the first half of the season, a lot of bounces were going our way and they're not right now.'

> **Shawn Chism** College of Lake County men's hoops coach



Struggling Lancers drop 3rd straight contest

By Rob Backus

Sports Editor

ollege of Lake County men's basket-ball coach Shawn Chism is at a loss to explain what's been going wrong with his team. Throughout the first half of the season the Lancers simply bulldozed the competition, even dropping 122 points on a hapless opponent.

High-flying forwards Kenny Saunders and Erin McMillian were throwing down thunderous jams, Austin Yarc was dishing out assist after assist and Jose Garcia was raining down from three-point land as CLC stormed out of the gate with a 13-1 record and a No. 7 ranking in the NJCAA Div. II poll. The team was rocking and rolling, having fun on a daily basis.

But then, almost as if the Lancers were a victim of their own success, they began to struggle to start the second half of the season. Those struggles continued Tuesday night in an 88-87 loss to Moraine Valley, It was CLC's third straight defeat.

Saunders has an explanation for his team's recent downturn.

"We were just having fun in the first half," Saunders said. "Now it's like we have a duty to win. We just need to relax and get back to playing ball."

Chism agreed, saying: "It doesn't seem like we have the same energy or excitement about playing that we had in the first half of the sea-

But Chism has a solution to the problem. "We're just going to practice tomorrow and do something fun. We just need to break the mood and have a fun day; that's what's missing right now."

The Lancers dug themselves a hole early against Moraine Valley, trailing 8-0 less than four minutes into the game. The Cyclones later ballooned that lead to 20-10 almost midway through the first half.

"We've had a slow start the last two games," Chism said. "And then we're fighting for our lives at the end and come up short."

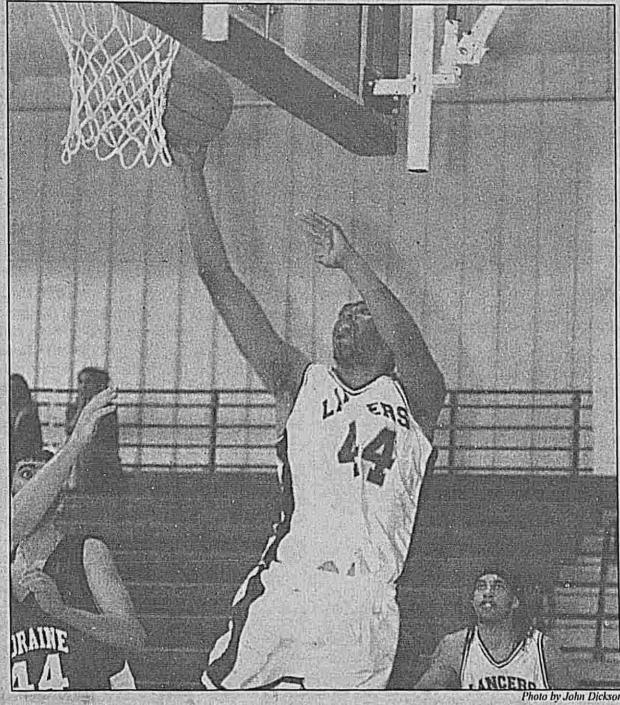
CLC began its fight back into the game, starting with a 4-point play from Jose Garcia (19 points). Saunders then seemingly changed the momentum with a booming alley-oop jam from Austin Yarc (11 points, 6 assists) with 10:29 left in the first half.

Less than three minutes later, Sean McLendon and Yarc connected on back-toback three-pointers to cut Moraine Valley's lead to 25-22.

Saunders, who finished with 20 points and eight boards, later tied the game at 34-34 on an unbelievable reverse alley-oop, again on an assist from Yarc. With 2:15 left in the opening half, he gave CLC its first lead, 39-38, with a layup. However, the Cyclones carried a slim 42-41 lead into halftime.

The second half went back-and-forth, with Moraine Valley taking control with four straight points from Chris Hobson (gamehigh 25 points) to put the Cyclones up 86-82 with 27.6 seconds left.

During a subsequent time out, Chism told his team that they didn't need a three-pointer,



College of Lake County sophomore forward Erin McMillian lays the ball into the basket in a game against Moraine Valley Community College on Tuesday night. CLC lost the game 88-87.

but McMillian threw up an ill-advised trey attempt anyway, which went awry, costing the

Lancers a chance at a comeback. "In the first half of the season, a lot of bounces were going our way and they're not right now," said Chism, whose team fell to 17-5 overall and 3-4 in the Skyway Conference with the loss. "It's like we're hitting a wall right now. Hopefully we can come out of it in our

next eight games." Up next for CLC is a home contest against Morton College on Feb. 3 at 7:15 p.m.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

CLC's women's hoops team got caught up in a defensive struggle and came up at the short end of the stick, losing to Moraine Valley 58-47 Tuesday night.

The Lancers played even with the Cyclones in the first half, taking a 21-20 lead with 2:59 left in the opening half on a basket from Nicole Schroeder (12 points, 10 boards).

The game went into halftime tied at 23-23. "I felt good about the first half," CLC coach Bill Braman said. "I felt like we had a shot at it."

However, after Jessica Piasecki (11 points, 6 rebounds) nailed a three-pointer to cut Moraine Valley's lead to 28-27, the Cyclones went on a 10-0 run to pull away. CLC was never able to regain momentum after that.

"We didn't step up the tempo to begin the second half like we should have," Braman said. "We had a few costly turnovers and some breakdowns on defense. And we gave up too many offensive rebounds."

Although Moraine Valley connected on just 18 field goals, the team shot the ball 19 more times than CLC, thanks to 15 offensive rebounds and 21 Lancer turnovers.

The loss dropped CLC's record to 1-22 overall and 0-6 in the Skyway Conference with a home game against Morton College on

The Lancers also fell to Waubonsee, 67-52, last Thursday. Piasecki (11 points, 8 rebounds) and Kristin Poglayen (11 points) led CLC in the

"We played well in spurts, but were unable to play error free to complete the game," Braman said.



Kenny Saunders

n the second half of a game against Moraine Valley Tuesday night, CLC sophomore forward Kenny Saunders

Austin Yarc and threw it down for a thunderous alley-oop.

He then jogged back up the floor, a big smile on his face. Those kinds of dunks are rare even in the NBA, but for Saunders they're almost becoming status quo. Heck, they should be, given the fact that he has a 42-inch vertical leap. In fact, it was just one of four leap. In fact, it was just one of four alley-oops he threw down in the con-

Even though alley-oops are becoming old hat for Saunders, that's not to say he doesn't still enjoy them.

"It's a lot of fun," Saunders said.

"I'm glad I can do it because it gets the fans into it and breaks the other team's spirit."

Almost subdued off the floor,
Saunders instantly transforms on the court, bringing much-needed intensity to the Lancers, who currently have a to the Lancers, who currently have a 17-5 record.

"The more intense I am, the more it's going to rub off," Saunders said. "If my intensity is going to pick people up, I just have to keep going full speed."

"Full speed" seems to be the only speed Saunders has.

"He brings so much athleticism to

our team," CLC coach Shawn Chism said. "He's been our best player in the second half of the season."

Although his numbers (13 points, 6 rebounds per game) aren't spectacular, his high-flying act has attracted the attention of several Div. I programs attention of several Div. I programs, including Penn State, the University of Houston and Baylor University.

Even though Saunders plans to play ball at a four-year school, Chism feels basketball isn't a necessity for Saunders.

"Basketball doesn't define him," Chism said. "He could walk away from the game forever at the end of the sea-son and still make it. He's a special kid."-By Rob Backus

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Westlake wins despite poor shooting

After defeating Rockford-based Keith School by 17 points earlier this season, the Westlake Academy Eagles ran into a bit more trouble this time around.

The Eagles shot 15 percent from the field through two-and-a-half quarters, falling behind before mounting a comeback in the second half.

"There was definitely a lid over the basket early," Westlake coach Jason Smith said. "Crashing the offensive boards really helped us minimize the damage until we could get back on track."

Midway through the third quarter, Westlake started its comeback, keyed by three clutch three-pointers from Nick Hines (14 points). Andy Rdzok also chipped in, scoring 8 of his 14 points from the free-throw line.

Westlake took its first lead with three minutes to go in the game, which went back-andforth down the stretch until Kaleb Wicox nailed a basket with 1:17 remaining to break a 31-31 tie. The Eagles held on in the final minute, winning 37-31.

Despite the poor shooting in the first half, Smith was instead elated at his team's play on the defensive end of the floor.

"Right now we're playing the best defense I've seen a team from this school play," Smith said. "If we play as hard as we can for four quarters, we'll be fine no matter how many shots we miss."

Up next for Westlake is a home game at Frederick School in Grayslake against Kankakee-based Grace Baptist. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m.



Members of the St. Joseph School (Round Lake) 6th/7th grade combined cheerleading squad include, front row, from left; Krystal Karch, Kathy Infante and Klanna Martinez, Middle row, from left; Taylor Collett, Stephanle Infante, Amanda Bourque and Lauren Siems. Back row, from left; Natalalee Contreras, Adrianna Peterson, Stephanle Bruenning, Alex Hendrickson and Chelsea Gahgan. The team is coached by Tina Bruenning, Melanie Ayala and Megan Walgand. The team took home first place in the Fox Valley Catholic Conference Cheerleading Competition Jan. 9.

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LOCAL SPORTS DIGEST

Volunteers needed for tennis clinic

Celeste Pregracke, a 2004 lake County Sports Hall of Fame Inductee, will run two tennis clinics for the developmentally disabled at the College Park Athletic Club on Saturday, Feb. 26 and Saturday, March 12. The clinics will run from 5-9 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help feed and retrieve balls and to help teach. Helpers need not be professional teachers or top players as most will assist a court leader.

Anyone wishing to attend should contact Celeste at 847-662-5038.

Baseball registration planned

The Waukegan Baseball Assocation will be holding registration for the 2005 season at the Belvidere Recreation Center at 412 South Lewis Ave. in Waukegan on the following dates: Friday, Feb. 25 from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 26 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Registration is for ages 7-16, registration fees are: Pinto (ages 7-8) \$40; Mustang (ages 9-10) \$60; Bronco (ages 11-12) \$65; Pony (ages 13-14) \$70; Colt (ages 15-16) \$80. There is a mandatory fund-raiser or \$50 buy-out option payable at the time of registration.

For any additional information, call the W.B.A. hotline at 847-336-1172 or 847-672-

The Gagewood Lions Boys Baseball program is holding a mail-in registration for the upcoming 2005 baseball season. There are openings in the following levels and age groups: T-ball (ages 6-8), Little League (ages 9-10) and Pony (ages 13-14). The level determination is based on the player's age as of Aug. 1,

Registration forms are available for download at www.gagewoodbaseball.com, along with season information, volunteer forms, fees and evaluation dates.

Football registration planned

Attention LBC football players, cheerleaders and fans. Libertyville Boys Club, servicing greater Libertyville, Vernon Hills, Mundelein, Lincolnshire and surrounding areas for over 50 years, is opening online registrations for the upcoming 2005 season.

There is limited availability left for football and cheerleading, so get signed up right away

by going to www.lbcfootball.org. Any questions, please contact LBC via e-mail at registration@lbcfootball.org.

Coaching clinic approaching

American Sport Education Program (ASEP) will conduct a coaching clinic on Feb. 27 at the Holiday Inn Express in Arlington Heights for anyone interested in becoming certified to coach middle or high school athletics.

The successful completion of the ASEP leader level program is required by the Illinois High School Association for all non-faculty coaches. To register, or for more information, contact Jeff Kyle at 217-586-4799.

Big season ahead at Pine Meadow

Dennis Johnsen, the recently appointed manager at Pine Meadow Golf Club in Mundelein, has introduced many significant changes and announced an innovative schedule for the award-winning course. A major change is the course will be open all winter, weather permitting. In prior years Pine Meadow closed in November and did not reopen until late March. Heated, covered carts, with mittens, are available with the first tee time as the sun rises and play is permitted until dark.

The first new event will be Mickey Finn's Irish Open on March 19 for golf, prizes, corned beef sandwiches, chips, and green beer. Format will be two-person scramble.

The No Embarrassment schools for beginners start April 25. Each school consists of five one-hour clinics. It's for golfers who want a better understanding of the fundamentals of the swing and covers putting, chipping, bunkers, full swing and etiquette.

Sandy Underwood's Ladies Golf Clinics, May 1-Six one-hour sessions designed for adult golfers who want a better understanding of the fundamentals.

Executive Women's 12-week league starting May 10.

The Ultimate Demo Experience May 12 from 5-8 p.m. Clubs from Titleist, Mizuno, Ping, Taylor Made, Cobra and LaJolla will be available for testing professional club fitters will be on hand to assist with fitting questions. Complimentary range balls, soft drinks and snacks will be available. Names will be entered into a raffle to win prizes.



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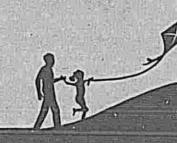
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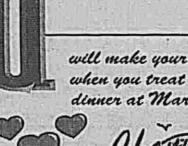
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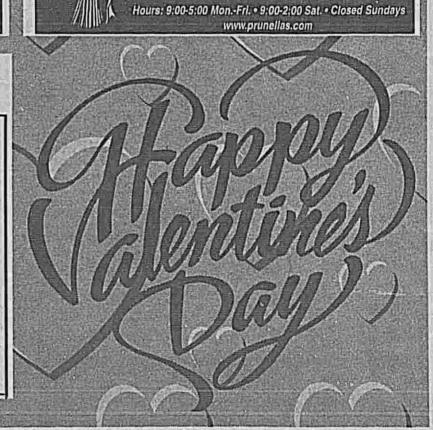
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Year built: 2000 BR 3: 11X10 BR 4: 10X10 LR: 19X14 DR: separate STU: 9X9 OFC: 9X7 KIT: 12X9 FR: 16X11 STO: 11X8 MBR: 13X11 Rooms: 10 BR 2: 10X10 Baths: 2.1

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How to save money on your heating bill

Before the temperatures drop, take the time to inspect your window and door frames both inside and out. Check around the outside frame and between the door and inner frame. If you see cracks or daylight anywhere, either caulk or stuff rags into the cracks. If a gap is big enough, do both: Using a butter-knife or something similar, stuff strips of cloth into the gap until it's almost even with the outer surface, then cover lightly with caulking. You get the best of both worlds by doing that. Rags are better insulation (besides usually being free), but caulking looks better and will stay in place better. Even if you can't see daylight under the door, keep a rug or draft dodger pushed

If the door doesn't fit snugly in the frame, put strip insulation around the frame to fill in. Again, the rag bag comes to the rescue. Instead of buying strips of foam or felt, you can use any heavy material, or use your own felt salvaged from an old hat or shrunken wool garment. Tack or staple it into place.

Draft stoppers for under the door are easy to make. Cut a piece of sturdy material 8 to 10 inches longer than the door is wide and at least 12 inches wide. Fill it like a taco with dry corn, rice, beans, sawdust or sand, then bring the sides up and sew

wide and at least 12 inches wide. Fill it like a taco with dry.com, rice, beans, sawdust or sand, then bring the sides up and sew them together firmly. Gather the ends, leaving a few inches, and tie string or yarn or (go ahead, get fancy) ribbon around it.

Windows are notorious for letting in cold air, so make it a priority to put up storm windows or plastic sheeting over them if possible. First, though, check the frames to make sure they fit well and caulk wherever necessary. If there's a gap in the sash where two windows fit together, caulk or stuff it with rags before covering with storm windows or plastic. covering with storm windows or plastic.

Even if you have good windows, window glass will let in the cold — there's just no way around it. The best protection is to cover that glass with something that will keep in the heat. Window "quilts" are popular, but you can make do with a simple piece of heavy material cut to fit the window frame. Hold it in place with Velcro or tape at night. It really will make a difference

No need to heat unused areas. Keep closets, pantries and storage areas closed off. Same goes for bedrooms and other rooms which are not in constant use. Open the doors an hour or so before bedtime; and be sure to check inside cabinets for gaps or cracks. These areas are often overlooked.

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Part of keeping warm is thinking you are! To make a room seem warm, use thick textured materials for accents like Afghans, area rugs and pillow covers. Make use of warm colors like reds and golds and arrange the furniture so that people sit closer together. This all contributes to a feeling of warmth and that's what it's all about.

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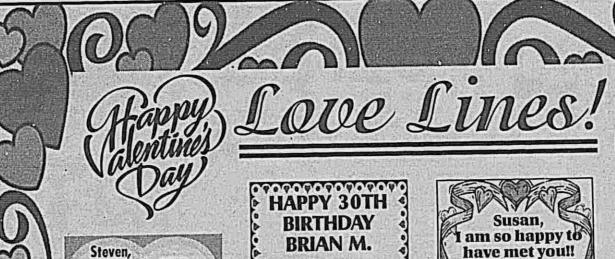
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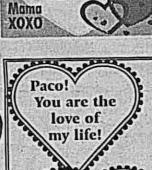
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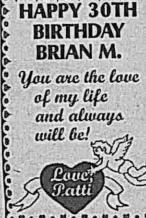
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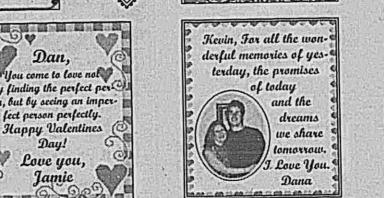
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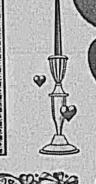
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Always, Dick







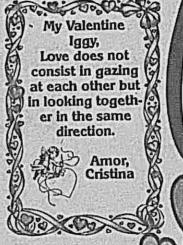


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Many people believe that the most difficult Job search situation occurs after a firing. They are wrong. I have been fired twice and both times, it was a blessing rather than a curse.

The most difficult task in a situation where one has been fired is to create the right perspective. This effort must be planned, thorough and intentional. The first step in the process is to understand why one was fired. Although those of us who believe in divine sovereignty would say that God has a reason for everything, we need a business related reason to share with others.

Unfortunately, our litigious society often prevents employers from being completely honest about the reason for firings. Yet without a good reason it is difficult to answer questions like "Why did you leave your last Job?" or "What will your prior employer say about your work experience?"

Most employers see a firing as a problem between the prior employer and the employee (in contrast to being laid off, which is the situation where an employer does not have enough work to continue employment for some employees.) Therefore, the answers to the questions above are a clear and concise description of the problem without placing blame. Also, do not defend it. In other words, the situation was the enemy of both the employee and the employer, but they could not resolve it.

As an example, an employee who was fired for lack of productivity might say something like: "I did not meet my prior employers production goals. We worked together to reach those expectations, but we never accomplished that objective." There is no blame in that statement; there is no justification.

The first part of having the right perspective is to understand the problem and be able to relate it to others. The next part is to be prepared to answer what you will do differently in the next job. For someone who did not understand the production goals, in the example above, the answer might be "I know that I need to clearly nderstand the production goals of future employers. Then I need to be confident that I can meet those goals before I accept a job."

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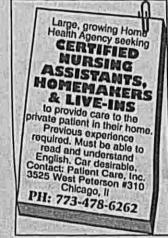
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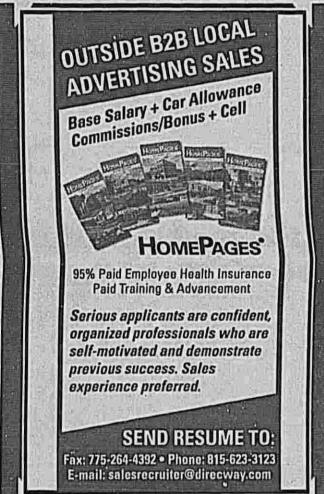
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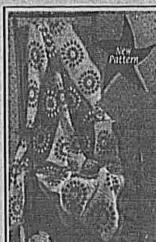
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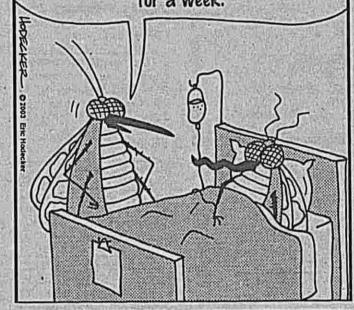
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> 0204A-7000-GL February 4, 2005

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PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS:

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R.B. Enterprises NATURE/PURPOSE; Carpentry Contractor ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 709 Bonaparte Ave., Lake Bluff, IL. 60044, (847)785-0579. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Ralph Berg, 709 Bonaparte Ave., Lake Bluff, IL. 60044, (847)785-0579. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business Is/are correct as shown. /s/ RalphBerg Jan. 12, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 12th day of January 2005. OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Christina Hom Notary Public Received: Jan. 12, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6987-GP January 21, 28, 2005 February 4, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Nana's Pizza Kitchen

NATURE/PURPOSE: Fast Food Restaurant ADDRESS(ES) WHERE **BUSINESS IS TO BE** CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 25188 W. 173, Antioch, IL. 60002, (847) 395-0070, P.O. Box 263, Lake Villa, IL. 60046. NAME(S) AND POST

OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Lena Faulkner, 38854 Belmora Park, Box 263, Lake Villa, IL. 60046.(847)356-3829. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 28th day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Christina J Hom Notary Public Received: Jan. 28, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0204A-6998-AN February 4, 11, 18, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Quality Insulation NATURE/PURPOSE: Insulation ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 520 Linden Dr., Round Lake, IL. 60073, (847)740-3631. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Martin Hurtado, 520 Linden Dr., Round Lake, IL. 60073, (847)740-3631 STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 20th day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Christina Hom Notary Public Received: Jan. 20, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0128D-6988-RL January 28, 2005 February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Terrabyte Computer Services NATURE/PURPOSE: Computer Repair ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 393 Center St., Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847)902-5780. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Randolph E. Wright, 40508 N. Lake Shore Dr., Antioch, IL., 60002. (847)902-5780. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) Indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Randolph E. Wright Jan. 19, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 19th day of January 2005. OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Robert A. Strauss Notary Public Received: Jan. 19, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6989-GL January 28, 2005 February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS: The Racquet Man NATURE/PURPOSE: Racquet stringing & customization services ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 261 Carters Grove Ct., Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847)548-

NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Marc Campanile, 261 Carters Grove Ct., Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847)548-6064 STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Marc Campanile Jan. 12, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 12th day of January 2005. OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Grace M. Brown Notary Public

Received: Jan. 17, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6992-GL January 28, 2005 February 4, 11, 2005 **PUBLIC NOTICE**

ASSUMED BUSINESS

NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Mimi Nails NATURE/PURPOSE: Nail Salon ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 2193 N. IL. Rt. 83, Round Lake Beach, IL. 60073, (847) 609-3193. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS

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David Truong, 2275 Woodoak Dr., Round Lake Beach, IL. 60073, (847)223-1028. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

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This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/David Truong Jan. 24, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me. by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 24th day of January 2005. OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Adriana Lomeli

Notary Public Received: Jan. 24, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6993-RL January 28, 2005 February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Office Geeks NATURE/PURPOSE: Computer Consulting and Mall Order ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE

CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 1711 Golf Rd., Apt. 220, Waukegan, IL. 60087, (847)599-0473. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS

Golf Rd., Apt. 220, Waukegan, IL. 60087, (847)599-0473. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE)

LaRhonda Johnson, 1711

This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and le-gal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ LaRhonda Johnson Jan. 11, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 11th day of January 2005. OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Belen A. Hernandez

Notary Public Received: Jan. 18, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6994-GP January 28, 2005 February 4, 11, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Little Listeners NATURE/PURPOSE: Auditory Verbal Therapy Cen-

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 790 Barron Boulevard (Rt. 83), Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847) 217-0961 NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Leslie Schumaker, 577 Pierce Ct., Grayslake, IL. 60030, (847)223-8047. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the un-dersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) Indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Leslie Schumaker Jan. 21, 2005

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 21st, day of January 2005. OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/Roger W. Verne Notary Public Received: Jan. 21, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6995-GL January 28, 2005 February 4, 11, 2005

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Legals **PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME WITHDRAWAL

OF OWNER(S) OR CANCELLATION NAME OF BUSINESS: Magna Funding Services ORIGINAL DATE FILED: 3/19/04

STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the per-

son(s) listed below has/have ceased doing business under the assumed name or has/have no further connection or financial interest in said business. Withdrawal shall be effective 2005. Barbara Henderson, 2413 C-1 Arrington Way, North Chicago, IL. 60064, (847)785-8954. Alison Merant, 6728M Derby Dr., Gurnee, IL. 60031, (847)

855-5645. /s/ Barbara Henderson /s/ Alison Merant

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 31st day of January 2005.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Jose Munoz, Jr. Notary Public Received: Jan. 31, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0121C-6999-GP February 4, 11, 18, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Lake County Choppers NATURE/PURPOSE:

Building & repairing motorcy-ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 520 Morningside Dr., Round Lake Beach, IL. 60073, (847)546-2092. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Kathleen Graf, 520 Morning-

side Dr., Round Lake Beach, IL. 60073, (847)546-2092. STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true and legal full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting

/s/ Kathleen Graf. Feb. 2, 2005 The foregoing instrument by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 2nd day of February 2005.

or transacting the business

is/are correct as shown.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/Adriana Lomeli Notary Public Received: Feb. 2, 2005 Willard R. Helander Lake County Clerk 0204A-7006-RL February 4, 11, 18, 2005

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ROAD DISTRICT BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that a Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Antioch Road District, in the County of Lake, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning February 1, 2005 and ending January 31, 2006 will be on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the Antioch Township Office, 1625 Deep Lake Road, Lake Villa, Illinois 60046 from and after 8:30 A.M. on February 08, 2005.

Notice is further given that a public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 7:00 P.M. on the 10th day of March, 2005 at the Antioch Township Office, 1625 Deep Lake Road, Lake Villa, IL. 60046 In this Township and the final action on the Ordinance will be taken at this hearing.

> Kathleen Smith Antioch Township Clerk February 2, 2005

0204A-7003-AN February 4, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

On January 18th 2005 the Corporate Authorities of the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District, Lake and McHenry Counties, Illinois passed "Ordinance 05-1, "AN ORDINANCÉ ESTABLISHING SEWER USER SERVICE CHARGES AND PROVIDING FOR THE RECOVERY OF CAPITAL COSTS FROM INDUSTRIAL USERS OF THE PUBLIC SEWERAGE WORKS IN THE NORTHERN MORAINE WASTEWATER REC-LAMATION DISTRICT, COUNTIES OF LAKE AND MCHENRY, STATE OF ILLINOIS" and said Ordinance having been published in pamphlet form by the Corporate Authorities of the Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District are available at the office of the District Clerk, 420 Timber Trail, Island Lake, Illinois,

> William C. Kreiling Clerk Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District

> > 0204A-6997-WL February 4, 2005

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WARREN TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the Office of Town Clerk, at 17801 West Washington Street, Gurnee, Illinois 60031 until 10:00 o'clock A.M., Tuesday, February 15, 2005 for furnishing the following equipment:

One (1) 2005 Conventional Truck Cab & Chassis GMC Model #TC8C042 or Approved Equal with optional trade in

Proposals shall be made on forms furnished by the Township Highway Commissioner, and shall be addressed in a sealed envelope to: Warren Township Highway Department, C/O Margaret Keenan-Denniston, Town Clerk, and shall be marked "Equipment Proposal" Letting of Tuesday February 15, 2005, Warren

Further information regarding the letting may be obtained by contacting the Highway Commissioner at (847) 244-1101, ext.

The Township in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder without discrimination, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

The awarding authority reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any or all Proposals as provided in article 102.08 of the "Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction," prepared by the Department of Transportation.

> By Order of Gerald E. Rudd Warren Township Highway Commissioner 0204A-7005-GP February 4, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ANTIOCH TOWNSHIP BUDGET

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> Kathleen Smith Antioch Township Clerk February 2, 2005

0204A-7004-AN February 4, 2005

LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Education of Round Lake School District #116 is seeking blds from qualified vendors for Fire Alarm Systems. Testing & Maintenance Service and Master Clock Testing & Maintenance and Service per specifications.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Districe Office. 316 Rosedale Court, Round Lake, Illinois, 60073 on Wednesday, February 9, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.

Complete specifications and conditions may be obtained from Mr. Walter J. Korpan, Chief Financial Officer between the hours of 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday, at the District Office, 316 S. Rosedale Court, Round Lake, Illinois, 60073. Sealed bids will be accepted until February 15, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. at which time all bids received will be opened and tabulat-

Board of Education Round Lake Area School District #116 Hal Davis, Secretary

0204A-7001-RL February 4, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE GURNEE PARK DISTRICT NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED BOARD MEETING

The Board of Commissioners of the Gurnee Park District has rescheduled the February 15, 2005 regular board meeting to Tuesday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the Viking Park Community Center Activity Room #4.

Victoria Paddock, President **Board of Park Commissioners GURNEE PARK DISTRICT** February 4, 2005

0204A-6996-GP February 4, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE LAKE VILLA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT Statement of Cash Receipts

and Disbursements **GENERAL FUND** May 1, 2003 to April 30, 2004

CASH RECEIPTS Cash on hand May 1, 2003, \$107,262.13 Contract-Lake Villa Fire Protection District, \$349,955.53; Other Income, \$8,734.97.

Total Cash on Hand at beginning of year and Cash Received during fiscal year, \$465,952.63.

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Administrative \$23,477.86; Building, \$5,223.80; Fire Equipment, \$91,178.26; Insurance, \$43,027.81; Personnel, \$121,258.18; Radio, \$3,163.76; Utilities, \$20,549.87.

Total Cash Disbursements, \$307,879.54. Balance on Hand April 30, 2004, \$158,073.09

I, Brock Millsop, Treasurer of Lake Villa Volunteer Fire Department, do hereby solemnly swear that the above report contains a full and true statement of all moneys belonging to the General Fund of Lake Villa Volunteer Fire Department, received by us, and disbursed by us on account thereof during the period May 1, 2003 to April 30, 2004 inclusive, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Isl Brock Millsop Brock Millsop, Treasurer

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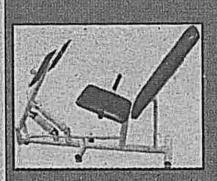


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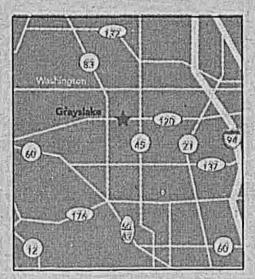
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